

Administrative Cause
Number: 09-086D

**ADVISORY COUNCIL RULE SUGGESTION REVIEW:
FISHING EXCEPT TROUT & SALMON/BROOKVILLE
TAILWATERS**

**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: BOATING REGULATION

Michaels, Debbie

From: Burch [HESafety@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 9:39 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMSpecial Permits and Licenses

Special Permits and Licenses
Other

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County
Porter

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

We need excessive motor sound regulations on lake Michigan. The jokers from Illinois with the big bucks and the big cigar boats seem to run unchallenged with no exhaust pipe restrictions. When on the beach at the Dunes state park you can hear the straight piped boats wind up over a mile away from you. When on the beach and they pass by you can hardly talk to the person next to you. Why is this allowed? If I went into the park with a straight piped car or truck and gassed it you would see that I was given a ticket for disturbing the peace. But you let the boats travel unchallenged through the wilderness area of lake Michigan where they disturb the wild fowl and other birds and beach goers but this is acceptable?? Time has come for there to be noise restrictions on the lake in Indian waters. Bring the peace and quiet back.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Sherry [mdsher@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 22, 2009 7:50 AM
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Other

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County
Carroll

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

To improve fishing on Freeman & Shafer, ban other water sports until after 9am.

Wave Riders in particular are a bother early. This would improve fishing.

Michaels, Debbie

From: lare [daffydone29@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 01, 2009 4:11 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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County
adams

State of Residence
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Suggestions
more DNR patrols on the water. boaters do not follow regs.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Henderson [dphndrsn@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 18, 2009 9:25 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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First Name
Dan

Last Name
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County
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State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

By the time we pay \$17.00 for a license, \$35.00 for a DNR permit, \$20.00 for a boat tag, plus \$20.00 for a trailer license...the result is that many people who find themselves financially strapped due to the economy, also find that they can no longer afford to go fishing legally in Indiana. As your jobs at the DNR exist because of taxes and fees we've all paid for years, it seems very unfair, especially when one of our local DNR officers recently responded to an automobile accident in our county, calling off the sheriff's office which was enroute. He then released a driver to drive away that was already suspended, had no insurance, and blew a reported .7. They appeared to know each other. Consequently, several people in our area view the DNR negatively.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Vaughan [purduemike24@hotmail.com]
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Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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Last Name
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County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I have noticed that the CO's on some bodies of water tend to bother fisherman more than they police jet ski's and young operators. I am glad that they keep fisherman honest, but they could crack down on some of the dangers that these machines present at times.

**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: CATFISH/OTHER

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Catfish

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County
LaPorte

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Catch and release is great. But a lot of us grew up having fish for our meals. This is still true today. Panfish and catfish is still the best eating. I believe the catfish stocking in our county LaPorte, and city of LaPorte with several lakes need this done. THEIRS probably a lot of places that need this done. Please consider this area in your next plans of stocking.

thank you BOB

Michaels, Debbie

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Tim

Last Name
Bischoff

County
Hancock

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
No limit on rods fished from a boat for rough fish such as Catfish,Carp or Gar.

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**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: CATFISH/SIZE LIMIT

Michaels, Debbie

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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County
Wabash

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Catfish (Channel, Blue, and Flathead) over 30" can take 8 to 10 years to get to that size; and with no size restrictions on catfish in Indiana many people take these sized fish regularly. I propose a limit on catfish over a certain length (around 30") , and a limit on catfish to 10 a day within a set size limit (like no more than 2 can be over 24"). This would increase the quality of fishing in Indiana for residents and non-residents alike. -Thank you, Mike

Kane, Jennifer

From: Berry [jeberry1@usieagles.org]
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To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
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Fishing
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County
Vanderburgh

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
I would like to see a one fish limit put on all Catfish, that are over30 inches in length. I would also like to see something done withcommercial fisherman that pull out large amounts of catfish, and takethem to Pay Lakes.

Michaels, Debbie

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Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
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Fishing
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County
miller

State of Residence
AR

Suggestions

set limits on the amount and size for catfish. release all catfish over 30" for spawning stock. right now commercial fishermen have no limits on the amounts of fish that they can harvest. they are wiping out the catfish populations in the red river here in southwest arkansas. sport fishermen are willing to pay more for licenses if the trophy catfish population would increase.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Howard [trahviiz@yahoo.com]
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Fishing
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County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
There needs to be tighter regulations on catfish sizes and limits, especially for the Flatheads. Perhaps 2 Fish under 30 - 32 inches. Saving the bigger fish ensures the future of the species.

Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
Catfish

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Last Name
Jones

County
Morgan

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

We need to do something about protecting our +trophy sized catfish from commercial fishing. I have been informed that our trophy cats are being taken by commercial fisherman to stock private lakes across state lines for money. I do not see a problem with taking smaller sized catch but there needs to be limits on large and smaller catfish so we can provide future generations that trophy catfish...

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Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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First Name
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wolf

Email

County
tipp.

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

limit this catfish tournaments on how many fish they bring to wiegh in.I have seen to many times dead fish being throwed over board becausethe died . I think 2 or 3 fish is ok . boat safty would be betterbecause there would not be A need for this massive live wells in boatthat can not handle them.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Bischoff [timbischoff@yahoo.com]
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Fishing
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First Name
Tim

Last Name
Bischoff

County
Hancock

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

A limit of only one Catfish over 36 inches in possession such as otherstates like Tenn. and South Carolina have enacted to help preserve the trophy Catfish in Indiana waters.

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Michaels, Debbie

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First Name
adam

Last Name
roberts

County
vanderburg

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

i am trophy/tournament catfisherman that fishes the ohio river from markland dam to jt meyers dam and have seen first hand the huge amounts of trophy size catfish that the commercial fisherman harvest out of these rivers!!! there needs to be a max size on catfish in the ohio river for 2 reasons! 1st the consumption of these huge catfish is not a good idea because of the amount of toxins in the meat of these older fish. these no or limited consumption size fish are being sold to markets where they are sold as farm raised .. these people have no clue where the fish comes from! #2 the future of the growing sport of catfishing !! the sport is growing by leaps and bounds every year and when these big fish are hard to find in the ohio river with rod and reel the fisherman will spend money to go to fish more productive rivers in other states such as tn that do protect these big fish... thanks from myself and my kids for allowing us to voice our concerns!! 34" would be a fair size limit..

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Fishing
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First Name
tim

Last Name
pickering

County
allen

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

i think the catfish regs are very poor in our state. we should have some stricter limits on our states catfish. i mean come on, who wants to keep a cat smaller than 10" anyhow. lol other states are making new regulations to protect the trophy flathead catfish and blue catfish, for instance.

another consideration is the commercial guys venturing away from designated waters. i have ran into commercial fishermen clear up herein leo IN. with the regs the way they are those guys pretty much have the run of the state! nothing stopping them from say, hitting the maumee and harvesting truck loads of trophy flathead catfish, then trucking them back down to the buyer! with a min. size and bag limit it wouldnt be worth the effort or risk for them to venture out of designated commercial areas. something like ohio did would be a big help. say a limit of three fish none bigger than 30". there is a consumption advisory on most big cats from our rivers anyway.

as for what the regs should be is not for me to say. you guys are the experts and you should set the regs. i just ask that you consider the topics i have mentioned.

thanks for your time, tim

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Hamilton

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Please consider improving the regulations to protect trophy catfish. I have noticed a marked reduction in the number of larger fish I catch in the last 2-3 years. Large catfish are targeted by commercial netters to supply pay lakes with the fish they need to attract the paylake fishermen. I have witnessed fish taken alive from the Wabash, White and Ohio rivers by netters in large numbers for this purpose. I know we have reciprocal agreements with OH and KY. Perhaps we can work with them to eliminate netting of fish from public waters to supply pay lakes. Please would you also consider allowing more fishing rods to be used on the Ohio River with an Indiana license. Ky anglers are allowed as many as they like while IN anglers are limited to 2.
Thank you, Winston Bush

Michaels, Debbie

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County
Tippecanoe

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Measures need to be taken to give regulation to trophy catfish and limits on the numbers of catfish that can be taken. Specifically flathead catfish and blue catfish.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Colen [rspd507@yahoo.com]
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Fishing
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First Name
Lowell

Last Name
Colen

County
Switzerland

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Make the catfish species a gamefish with regulations mirroring that of the State of Tennessee. This would be a length limit as well as limiting the number a person may take over that length. The commercial fisherman from surrounding states are robbing our waters of our trophy bluecats and flatheads, with a lot being sold to pay lakes. Please help protect this species so our children may experience the feeling of catching a trophy catfish in the years ahead.

Thanks,
Lowell R. Colen

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Michaels, Debbie

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
tim

Last Name
pickering

County
allen

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

some regulations on how many "trophy" catfish that can be taken perlicense per season would be nice. the white and wabash rivers havevery strong trophy potential if left alone to produce.

thank you for your time, tim

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Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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First Name
David

Last Name
Smith

County
Floyd

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Sir/Madam, I don't get a chance to fish very much & neither do I catch very many fish that are called keepers. I'd like to see a minimum size limit on channel catfish, blue catfish & flatheads, maybe 14" with a maximum length of maybe 28" with a bag limit of 1 or 2 catfish over 28". I think that some of Indiana's regulations on most fish is similarly the same. Some limits on say bass should also be the same for catfish. This would help the smaller catfish grow to a more reproductive age.
Thank you very much for your time & cooperation.

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**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: CATFISH/BAG LIMIT

Michaels, Debbie

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County
USA

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I am concerned that many commercial fishermen are taking, and selling large catfish taken from this river, and selling them to payfishing lakes.

I believe that if this practice is not stopped it is, or will hurt recreational fishing out of this beautiful river.

This practice has been going on for many, many years, and needs to be stopped or at least controlled somehow.

I do realize that there are some problems with this because of fishing laws from across the river.

I think both Indiana and Kentucky should get together and make a general rulebook, guidebook or laws about the Ohio river exclusively.

I think it's kind of sad that our state record blue catfish of 104 pounds is an Indiana state record, and also a Kentucky state record.

Just my thoughts !!

sam

Michaels, Debbie

From: Nauth [trentnauth@hotmail.com]
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COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Fishing
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First Name
Trent

Last Name
Nauth

County
knox

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I believe that there should be a size and bag limit on all catfish. The ones I am mostly concerned about are mostly the flatheads and the blues. Until the age of 5 flatheads are unable to reproduce. I have talked to a lot of fisherman that fish for flats and blues and they tell me that the rivers (Wabash, White, and Ohio) don't have the quality and quantity of them like they did in the past. Some have said they use to be able to go out a catch about ten good ones a day and they would only keep the biggest one. I have only caught about 15 or 20 flats in the 8 years I have been fishing the Wabash River. My dad and I run and fish the river 2 or 3 days a week through the spring until the end of fall on our boats. I believe somewhere between 13 and 16 inches in length is fair. No matter what I use for bait whether it be bluegill, worms, skipjack, dough bait, or stink bait I can mostly only catch channel cats. channel cats should have no daily bag limit.

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Catfish

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Last Name
Coomes

County
Morgan

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like there to be a limit on larger catfish.. I have seen wayto many caught and taken to paylakes where they live a very short lifedue to the over population of fish in them.. We need to stop thelarge ones from being taken from our local waters. The abundance oflarge catfish have dwindled serverly over the last 5 years... I havefished central indiana from 56th st to spencer for the last few yearsand locating a fish over 35+lbs seems impossible these days..

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Fishing
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County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
To: Indiana Department of Natural Resources

The big catfish are dwindling. In the rivers, commercial fishermen use nets and traps for the cats, then trawl the heck out of those spots.

There really is nothing wrong with commercial fishing except for the fact that, in Indiana at least, there are no regulations to control what they do or how they do it, not to mention NO CATCH LIMITS!

The big cats more than likely will end up in a pay lake. Pay lake owners stuff their little fishing holes full of trophy blues, flatheads, and big channels. This is wrong. These pay lake folks can get these same fish from a fish farm. However, they obviously want less overhead, so they think it is OK to wipe out our rivers and lakes of big cats.

Say what you want, but something needs to be done.

I, in no way, am saying all pay lakes do this. It is just how some of them are doing business.

I do not go to pay lakes that support commercial fishing of lakes and rivers. If they buy from a fish farm then, I have no problem going there.

Some less than ethical fishermen are just as much to blame.

Below is an outline of what is trying to be accomplished:

1) Set Slot/Bag limits on all catfish over 34 inches, limiting possession to

1 per day on all licenses.

2) Regulate Pay Lake stocking, requiring them to be stocked under IDNR supervision, and requiring owners of Pay Lakes to have valid proof fish stocked were taken by legal means.

3) Work with the all states sharing Indiana Boundary waters to establish regulations mirroring those established by the state of Tennessee:

a) Commercially licensed fishermen required to immediately release all catfish caught over 34 inches.

b) Restricting all sports fishing licensed fishermen to a bag limit of 1 fish per day on all Catfish over 34 inches.

4) make it illegal for paylake owners to buy fish from private fishermen...a practice that is regularly happening.

Sincerely,

The Undersigned

http://www.petitiononline.com/mod_perl/signed.cgi?scoot268

Michaels, Debbie

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Ronald

Last Name
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County
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City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Allow use of live shad for bait if caught on that body of water. Set minimum size limit on all species of catfish (except yellow bellies) at 10 inches. Set limit at 10 catfish with no more than 2 fish over 35 inches.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Schwipps [apig@earthlink.net]
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Fishing
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First Name
Greg

Last Name
Schwipps

County
Morgan

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Several years ago, I was invited, along with other anglers, to the Indiana Government building to help plan a survey that was being mailed out to licensed anglers. I was there to represent catfishermen. We added questions about catfish regulations to the survey. That was the last I heard of the survey or the results.

I have also been told a long-term study of catfish is (was) being done on the Wabash. This study was to possibly influence our "rules" regarding catfish. I don't know what's happening with that study.

But many many years have passed and our rules and regulations concerning catfish are the same. They are so lenient they are barely rules at all. In the meantime, small rivers like the White (both forks) are getting blasted with setliners, trotliners and hoopnetters. Some of this is done legally; some of it is not. Many of our state flatheads are caught and sold to pay lakes.

With my own eyes, I have seen illegal limblines, bank poles and hoopnets, and I have been offered money for my fish caught from public waters.

So what do we need? Tougher enforcement from CO's on the catfish rules we do have. And we need stricter limits (and length requirements) for catfish. We need different bag limits for channels, flatheads and blues. Let's treat them like the different species they are. I've said all along: if we let bass get treated the way this state treats catfish, we'd have seen riots long ago. And guess what? There ARE a lot of anglers fishing for catfish, too.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Armstrong [admin@indiananature.com]
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Jeff

Last Name
Armstrong

County
Jasper

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Lift the 10 fish limit on catfish from lakes, and impose a 10 inchsize minimum. There is no limit on rivers and there shouldn't be onlakes.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Wiseman [scooter268@gmail.com]
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Scott

Last Name
Wiseman

County
Marion

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
To: Indiana Department of Natural Resources

I ahve started a petition online for this issue and to date we haveover 474 signatures. It can be viewed at:<http://www.petitiononline.com/scoot268/petition.html>

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I do not go to pay lakes that support commercial fishing of lakes and drivers. If they buy from a fish farm then, I have no problem going there.

Some less than ethical fishermen are just as much to blame.

Also, I would like to make an addendum to the petition asking for stiffer fines and penalties for those that pollute and deface our public waters!

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possession to 1 per day on all licenses.

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- b) Restricting all sports fishing licensed fishermen to a baglimit of 1 fish per day on all Catfish over 34 inches.
- 4) make it illegal for paylake owners to buy fish from private fishermen..a practice that is regularly happening.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: leeper [afssadmin@ai.org]
Sent: Friday, January 16, 2009 4:39 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: jschroeder@www.in.gov
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
benjamin

Last Name
leeper

County
marion

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Wish we could get a limit on catfish. At lease on ones over 32inch. To many people catching catfish on limb, jug, and knowed holes. Then they kill it and throw it away because they are scared to eat it. It takes a flathead a long time to get over 32 inch. I fished almost ever night last year on white river. Never saw a dnr???? to many people making there own laws out here. Ive watched people throw castnets and keep ever thing in it? I think if i catch a live shad in the cast net i should be able to use it live??? Not like im transporting it?? If i fish alone in my boat only 3 poles??? But if two more guys go with me a can use 9 rods? Thats not right boats should be 9 rods and bank fishing should be 3 rod limit. Ohio river needs same laws asky. White river needs help it could be a great river. I wish someone would help out the catfish.

FIELDS NOT DEFINED IN THE TEMPLATE FOLLOW

Michaels, Debbie

From: Nohr [rmnohr@bsu.edu]
Sent: Friday, January 16, 2009 9:40 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
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Nohr

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County
United States

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

For years I've watched people keep outrageous numbers of catfish out of the White River. I know there are creel limits on channel cats in Reservoirs, but I don't remember seeing any for rivers and streams in the state. Also, there seem to be no size or bag limits placed on flathead catfish. I believe large predatory species such as flatheads are vital to the waterways of the state and some sort of bag and size limits should be in place.

Thanks you
Richard Nohr

Michaels, Debbie

From: Bonavita [mbonavita420@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 15, 2009 9:58 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
blank

First Name
Mike

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Bonavita

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County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Please put a limit on catfish. People think that there is an unlimited number of catfish in our lakes and rivers but that's not true. Also put a length limit on the fish to help preserve our catfish resources in Indiana. Thank you

**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: NORTHERN PIKE/DECREASE BAG
LIMIT, INCREASE SIZE**

Michaels, Debbie

From: Martin [gtoddmartin@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 4:31 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Northern Pike

First Name
Todd

Last Name
Martin

County
vigo

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Reduce daily bag limit on Northern Pike to two a day and raise the size the limit to 24 inches. This is consistent with neighboring states.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Martin [gtoddmartin@aol.com]
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
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Last Name
Martin

County
vigo

City

State of Residence
IN

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Kane, Jennifer

From: Retzlaff [gypsyjoe30@msn.com]
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2009 11:53 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Northern Pike

First Name
Joseph

Last Name
Retzlaff

County
Lake

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
I would like to see the size limit raised to 24".

FIELDS NOT DEFINED IN THE TEMPLATE FOLLOW

**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: STRIPED BASS/LIVE SHAD

Michaels, Debbie

From: cassidy [edwardcassidy@att.net]
Sent: Saturday, January 31, 2009 8:09 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

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cassidy

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County
marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I am requesting a change in the live bait fishing reg. To include shadas live bait. These bait fish are in all the lakes That I fish and I would only use them in that lake that I got them out of. As a member of indiana striped bass asociation that is all I fish for in Indiana. Only one lake you are able to do so brookville. It would be nice if racoon & potoka were to.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Peace [jpeace1122@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 8:05 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
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Last Name
Peace

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County
USA

State of Residence
GA

Suggestions

I am an avid striper fisherman and outdoor enthusiast. Shad (Gizzard)in striper fishing is critical to ensure a more quality trophy fish. I cannot imagine the reasoning for restrictions on forage fish species that already exist on lakes. Also, I throw an 8-10ft. (radius) net to catch bait. Net size is an important factor in the art of bait-catching. I love to visit different areas, searching for this elusive game fish, however regulations like these...well, I find myself dumbfounded and deterred.

Please consider revising, to benefit your faithful, taxpaying, Striper angling citizens.

Sincerely,
Jonathan E. Peace

Michaels, Debbie

From: Bullock [jetmech727@juno.com]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 4:16 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
Ryan

Last Name
Bullock

Email
jetmech727@juno.com

County
Johnson

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Please change the current laws to allow live gizzard shad to be used as bait on all lakes where the DNR stocks Striped Bass and Hybrid Striped Bass. This would be the same Department of Natural Resources rule now in effect for Brookville Lake.

The purpose of stocking striped bass and hybrids in these lakes is to control the gizzard shad populations that already exist, and to provide additional angling opportunities in Indiana. Striped Bass and Hybrid Striped Bass are highly selective open water feeders and are difficult to fish for. Being the primary forage for these fish, gizzard shad would naturally be the best bait. I am not aware of any other state that stocks striped bass and restricts the use of live shad to be used for bait. It is the choice bait for striper anglers across the country. Using live gizzard shad in Indiana's striper/hybrid lakes, where shad already exist, does not pose a threat to those lakes.

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Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Williams [mohawgs@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 4:11 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Mark

Last Name
Williams

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mohawgs@gmail.com

County
Hancock

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

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Mark Williams
ISBA Member

Michaels, Debbie

From: Mack [rmack1989@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 2:58 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Ryan

Last Name
Mack

County
Hamilton

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

As an avid Striped Bass fishermen, I'd like to request that when fishing a body of water that already has gizzard shad population existing within that body of water, that the DNR has then stocked Striped Bass in that same body of water to control that formerly existing shad population, to be able to catch and use live gizzard shad, from that lake, as bait in that specific lake, in the hunt for Striped Bass.

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Kane, Jennifer

From: Guinn [guinnjl@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 1:40 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
Jordan

Last Name
Guinn

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County
Martin

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

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In addition, I would like to see the cast size changed from the current 5' radius (10' diameter) to 10' radius (20' diameter). This would allow for more efficient bait gathering of shad on the open water of these lakes.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Crispin [mattandamyc@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 1:25 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
Matt

Last Name
Crispin

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County
Hamilton

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

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Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Bullock [scott_bullock@hotmail.com]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 11:36 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORM Fishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

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Bullock

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County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

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Kane, Jennifer

From: Yazel [gyazel@starenv.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 3:14 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
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County
Decatur

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

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In addition, I would like to see the cast size changed from the current 5' radius (10' diameter) to 10' radius (20' diameter). This would allow for more efficient bait gathering on the open water of these lakes.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Greg Yazel
ISBA Member
gyazel@starenv.net

Kane, Jennifer

From: Cox [Rocky76@fuse.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 5:33 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
Rockie

Last Name
Cox

Email
Rocky76@fuse.net

County
Clermont

State of Residence
OH

Suggestions

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Kane, Jennifer

From: Fleming [HANKPMT5759@YAHOO.COM]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 7:20 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
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Last Name
Fleming

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HANKPMT5759@YAHOO.COM

County
Harris

State of Residence
GA

Suggestions

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Sincerely
Jim Fleming
Pine Mountain, Ga

Kane, Jennifer

From: Hughes [tandthughes@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 9:55 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
Jeff

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Hughes

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tandthughes@gmail.com

County
Payne

State of Residence
OK

Suggestions

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Kane, Jennifer

From: Maddalena [Mikemad@mindspring.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 9:32 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
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Last Name
Maddalena

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Mikemad@mindspring.com

County
Forsyth

State of Residence
GA

Suggestions

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Mike Maddalena

Kane, Jennifer

From: Palestrini [jpal1124@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 8:30 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
James

Last Name
Palestrini

Email
jpal1124@bellsouth.net

County
forsyth

State of Residence
GA

Suggestions

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Kane, Jennifer

From: McNew [sq@seeinstripes.com]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 12:12 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
Shawn

Last Name
McNew

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County
Baldwin

State of Residence
GA

Suggestions

I am a more than avid striper fisherman and guide of 10 years. I also have a degree in wildlife and fisheries from the SEC. The use of shadin striper fishing is essential. I would not spend my money to fish alake which would not permit the use of this bait which already existsas available forage. As a guide, I always catch my bait, requiring a cast net. For effective bait catching, I use a minimum diameter of 14feet, and often times a 20' net is necessary. This would pose nonegative biological impact on your lakes. Please remove theseillogical regulations which are outdated and overly restrictive toyour tax-paying law-abiding striper anglers. Shawn McNew;Milledgeville, GA.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Strader [tmstrader@starenv.net]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 10:34 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
Todd

Last Name
Strader

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tmstrader@starenv.net

County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

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Kane, Jennifer

From: Newlin [afssadmin@ai.org]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 9:06 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
Keith

Last Name
Newlin

Email

County
Alamance

State of Residence
NC

Suggestions

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Kane, Jennifer

From: wendel [afssadmin@ai.org]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 1:50 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
brett

Last Name
wendel

Email

County
gwinnett

State of Residence
GA

Suggestions

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Kane, Jennifer

From: crowley [lakeandstreamguideservice@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 9:28 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
eric

Last Name
crowley

Email
lakeandstreamguideservice@gmail.com

County
gilmer

State of Residence
GA

Suggestions

please lift the ban on useing live shad in lakes that the fish
alreadyinhabits,this doesnt nor has ever made any sense.to have a
betterstriped bass fishery and more chances for anglers to catch these
fishlive shad is a must.

thanks,
eric crowley

Michaels, Debbie

From: Hall [victoria4757@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 03, 2009 4:10 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Fishing
blank

First Name
Vickie

Last Name
Hall

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victoria4757@gmail.com

County
Hendricks

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

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Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Michaels, Debbie

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Sent: Sunday, February 01, 2009 7:36 AM
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State of Residence
PA

Suggestions

I would like to see the use of live gizzard shad used as bait forstriper fishing and I would like to see the cast net size change to10ft in size 20 ft diameter to catch gizzard shad in lakes where thepopulation already exists.Thank You

Michaels, Debbie

From: Guinn [guinn4@verizon.net]
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Mark

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County
Martin

State of Residence
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Michaels, Debbie

From: Long [afssadmin@ai.org]
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First Name
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County
Hamilton

State of Residence
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Suggestions

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Michaels, Debbie

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State of Residence
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Suggestions

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Stephen Flamion

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County
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State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

allow gizzard shad to be used as bait on indiana waters that currently have a large population of shad as the primary forage fish for strippers. This would only make since since this is the main food source for strippers

Michaels, Debbie

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Martin

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Suggestions

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Michaels, Debbie

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County
Parke

State of Residence
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Suggestions

I am requesting a change in the live bait fishing regulations in Indiana. More specifically, I would like to see the rule changed to allow the use of live shad as bait on all lakes where they currently exist as they are at Brookville Lake. In addition, I oppose the transport of live shad from any body of water.

The purpose of stocking striped bass and hybrids in these lakes are to control the gizzard shad populations that already exist, and to provide additional angling opportunities in Indiana. Using live gizzard shad in Indiana's striped/hybrid lakes, where shad already exist, does not pose a threat to those lakes.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Shay Vandivier
ISBA Member

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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First Name
Edward

Last Name
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County
Martin

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Michaels, Debbie

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Suggestions

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Mark Williams
ISBA Member

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Mar Williams
ISBA Member

Michaels, Debbie

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Mark Williams
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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: BLACK BASS/STOCKING & HABITAT

Michaels, Debbie

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State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Establish a "quality bass stream" on the eastern portion of the state along the lines as Sugar Creek on the western part. Minimum size limit of 18" or 20" to be instituted providing the stream has the capability to sustain such growth.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Martin [gtoddmartin@aol.com]
Sent: Sunday, March 08, 2009 8:56 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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First Name
Todd

Last Name
Martin

County
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State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Stock Smallmouth bass in state reservoirs that have good habitat. Possibly Cecil M Harden or Cagles Mill. Both have large areas of rock that would be suitable for Smallmouth bass.

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TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: BLACK BASS/SIZE LIMIT

Kane, Jennifer

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Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
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Hendricks

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I suggest that the minimum size requirement to "keep" Largemouth Bass be raised from 14" to 16" in all Indiana State DNR lakes.

If it is working so well in Cecil Hardin Lake Why not have the same law for the other lakes in the state. A 14" Bass is just beginning to start a good breeding cycle and could enhance the fish population in all lakes.

Too many 14" and smaller fish are harvested each year thus reducing the number of good fish in a lake.

I personally practice "catch and release" but there are many that don't.

Since there are many more fishermen who are retired and fish daily this is a law that needs to be enacted to enhance the fisheries in Indiana.

Michaels, Debbie

From: McClain [Sportsmanscove@mchsi.com]
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First Name
Jason

Last Name
McClain

County
DeKalb

City

State of Residence
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Suggestions

I suggest we either put a no size limit on bass in Stueben county, or go to a slot limit, we are catching so many illegle size fish becauseof over population of small bass

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Overstreet [afssadmin@ai.org]
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Fishing
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First Name
Walter

Last Name
Overstreet

Email

County
Hancock

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Westwood lake in Henry Co. needs slot limit on bass, to help getlarger size of bass. This lake has lots of 10in to 12in bass , butvery few over 14in

Kane, Jennifer

From: Raider [g_sraider@verizon.net]
Sent: Saturday, January 24, 2009 9:42 AM
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Flag Status: Red

Fishing
Black Bass

First Name
Gregory

Last Name
Raider

County
Rush

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Put a slot limit on Largemouth Bass at brookville Lake.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: mask [donnymask@aol.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 22, 2009 1:24 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Black Bass

First Name
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mask

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County
morgan

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

i would like to see the size limit for bass alternate from 14 inches to 12 inches every other year because lakes get over run with 12 & 13 inch bass and this way every other year some of the 12 & 13 inch bass can be removed to make way for bigger bass to feed, thank you, donnymask

Kane, Jennifer

From: Ostermeyer [ken.ostermeyer@fwcs.k12.in.us]
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2009 1:28 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
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Fishing
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First Name
Ken

Last Name
Ostermeyer

County
Allen

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to suggest a slot (keeper) limit for large mouth bass.
Let fisherman keep 12"-13" to eat. Throw back the bigger ones to
keep providing those. It seems to me that letting fisherman keep one big fish
is more detrimental to the lake than a whole multitude of the small/medium
sized. Hate to see the bigger ones harvested.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Martin [gtoddmartin@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 4:41 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
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Fishing
Black Bass

First Name
Todd

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Martin

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County
vigo

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Change size limits on lakes that have special Largemouth Bass sizelimits to include all Black Bass species. This would aid lawenforcement and make it clearer for anglers. Example would be HardenLake, instead of 16" size limit for largemouth, it would be 16" forlargemouth, smallmouth and spotted bass.

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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: BLACK BASS/SEASON

Michaels, Debbie

From: Wilson [jcw1957@att.net]
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2009 7:14 PM
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First Name
Jim

Last Name
Wilson

County
Hendricks

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Reinstate a Largemouth Bass season which prohibits intentional fishing for largemouth during the spawn and which specifically prohibit taking bass off the beds intentionally and forces anglers to immediately release bass when caught. Tournament fishing has caused more harm than good during this time of year. When the male bass is removed from the nest and put in the live well, other species can rush in and devour the nest. It's tough enough to have successful spawns year after year just due to unstable weather conditions. We need to back off and let spawning bass alone for a few years. Also, I have talked to many fishermen in the south that report large numbers of largemouth bass washed up on the boat ramps after many tournament weight-ins due to overstress of the fish while in the livewell caused by the dramatic temperature changes the fish are subjected to during the course of the morning. I know this has been proposed in the past, but it's long been overdue. Most lakes I've fished over the last 20 years produce schools of much smaller fish than in 1980. I think if the department would seriously take into consideration Buck Perry's research and proven facts about the bass, and institute policies that reflect the facts instead of appeasing tournament fishermen and their selfish pursuits, we will all be better off in the future. Tournament fishing revenues would surely suffer, but if it keeps up, our largemouth population will ultimately suffer more.

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Michaels, Debbie

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County
Whitley

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
I think it would be nice to have a Bass season. Michigan has a season,it would be good to protect are BASS to.
Thank You.

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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: BLACK BASS/BAG LIMIT

Michaels, Debbie

From: fisher [aaron@wirco.com]
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Fishing
Black Bass

First Name
aaron

Last Name
fisher

County
noble

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
I think there should be a 3 year no bag limit on largemouth bass under14" from Big Long Lake in Lagrange Co.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Jones [crappieman18@yahoo.com]
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First Name
Michael

Last Name
Jones

County
Grant

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I believe it is necessary to incorporate a lower bag limit on blackbass in rivers, especially smaller ones such as the mississinewariver. Any angler can do a number on bass in a smaller river likethis. I am proposing a bag limit of 3 fish. A slot limit would beeven better. I believe our fisheries biologist need to study ourrivers a little better. Please email me back and let me know whatyou think of my proposal.

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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: WALLEYE, SAUGER &
SAUGEYE/STOCKING**

Michaels, Debbie

From: Martin [gtoddmartin@aol.com]
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Suggestions

Stock sauger in lakes where walleye stocking have been marginal or unsuccessful. Maybe lakes that have large winter draw downs like Cecil M Harden or Huntington. Perhaps sauger would be less likely to escape during draw downs.

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Walleye, Sauger and Saugeye

First Name
Harrison

Last Name
Manering

County
White

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Start stocking walleye, or simular fish again below Norway Dam inMonticello and at Oakdale Dam. At one time these two dams had some ofthe best walleye fishing in state, now its gone! Speaking of GONE sois most of the revenue for bait shops in the area.

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Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
Walleye, Sauger and Saugeye

First Name
jim

Last Name
smith

County
hancock

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Create a walleye stamp to enhance an already good stocking program into a great program. This will help put back walleye that are becaught by bass fisherman and other fishermen and women by accident. If they want to keep them thats fine but this way they are also helping put back what they take home for the table instead of only the avid walleye fisherman footing the bill while they reap the benfits for free. They are big at throwing back the bass that they catch wheather its in a tourney or not but they keep every walleye they catch by accident. Therefor they help there own fishery and rape ours, so I feel that this would help even it out and give the DNR better ability to invest in better and bigger facilities to raise fry and fingerlings. I also think a little better walleye fishery could start attracting more tourist that dont have the money to travel as far as they used to. But the money should be earmarked for walleye ONLY, and access to those waters stocked.

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TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: WALLEYE, SAUGER & SAUGEYE/SIZE
LIMIT**

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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County
Elkhart

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Closing walleye season 3 weeks prior to 3 weeks after spring spawn to help ensure our walleye populations as Michigan does. Or at least reduce the numbers allowed during that period like Ohio. Also it would sure go miles to invoke a slot limit on walleye statewide to give lakes a chance to really grow some bigger more reproductive females and males for better natural stocking. The big ones sure are fun to catch but some take too many and at the wrong time which is just a shame. Thank you for your time.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Schlewinsky [sschlewins@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2009 8:49 AM
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Fishing
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County
HAMILTON

State of Residence
OH

Suggestions
CONSIDER A SLOT LIMIT ON WALLEYE, AND LOWER DAILY QUANTITY LIMIT.

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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First Name
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Last Name
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County
Saint Joesph

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I believe we need stricter rules on walleye fishing. The St. Joe river could be a great fishery for walleye's but they need more protection. Slot limits and closed seasons during he spawn are just a couple of things that could help. Any and all natural reproduction needs to be protected along with a stocking program that will make a impact. With the current laws I can legally year round catch and keep more walleye's on the St. Joe river then I can over on Erie. Does this make any sense? The answer is simple NO. I am a member of Michiana Walleye Association and believe that almost all walleye fisherman would support this change to help develop a world class walleye fishery right here in the state of Indiana. Sincerely Ed Szymczak, Osceola Indiana

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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First Name
Steve

Last Name
Smith

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County
Lawrence

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Increase the minimum size of legal walleye from 14" to 16"

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Walleye, Sauger and Saugeye

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County
hamilton

State of Residence
OH

Suggestions

I suggest a 16 inch size limit on walleyes on brookville. I fish there pretty much from apr. through sept.. Everyone that catches a 14 inch walleye keeps them. In my opinion the fish never have a chance to reach their potential size.

Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
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Arndt

County
Porter

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I personally feel that a slot limit on walleye would greatly benefit all anglers. There is a lot of evidence that suggest slot limits is a great way to keep a fishery healthy for all to enjoy.

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Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
Walleye, Sauger and Saugeye

First Name
David

Last Name
Hayes

County
St. Joseph

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Have a 17 or 18 inch size limit, And do something to the people that keep
undersize fish. Like at the Elkhart Dam.

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Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
Walleye, Sauger and Saugeye

First Name
Steve

Last Name
Schlewinsky

County
hamilton

State of Residence
OH

Suggestions
I fish Brookeville for walleye,would you consider increasing the sizelimit
or create a slot limit.It receives a lot of fishing pressure. Thanks

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Fishing
Walleye, Sauger and Saugeye

First Name
Jeff

Last Name
Snodgrass

County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Please consider a "slot" for Walleye to allow for better walleyefisheries.

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Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Walleye, Sauger and Saugeye

First Name
Jerry

Last Name
Chandler

County
Delaware

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would love to see the 14" keeper limit changed from 14" to 16". As it is now, people are still keeping fish a little under the 14" limit. I see this almost daily at summit lake and prairie creek.

The 16" limit might make people think twice about keeping a fish 2" or 3" under the limit.

Also I have read that most walleye will not spawn until they reach the 16" size.
Prairie Creek & Summit Lake both have walleye reproduction.

Both lakes could turn into prime walleye lakes with a little help. We need to at least give the walleye a chance to get big enough to reproduce, then let nature take its course.

Who knows, in just a couple years the DNR might save a little money on the stocking of walleye.

Brookville and Monroe lakes both could turn into some of the best walleye lakes in the Midwest.

Just give the walleye a chance.

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Fishing
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First Name
Jay

Last Name
Couch

County
Henry

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Some of my friends and I see that so many Walleye are being removed from the lakes. The fish have no chance to grow into trophy. We would love to see a strict slot limit in Indiana to help the fish get to size. if people take all the 14 inchers out that are easy to catch there will be no more.

Also we see a trend that Summit lake is pounded by COs checking fishermen daily there. I have been checked as many as 3 times in the same day. Seen 2 different boats of co ther at same time, this is ok, but, Brookville needs more attention. I have never been checked there and I am on that water every week.

Just a couple ideas, Thank for what you do

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**SUB-TOPIC: WALLEYE, SAUGER &
SAUGEYE/METHODS OF FISHING**

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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First Name
Jeff

Last Name
Armstrong

County
Jasper

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Increase the number of poles that can be used from 3 to 4. This would greatly increase my trolling area for walleye from my boat. I am only allowed 6 walleye anyways. What difference does it make if I catch them on 3 poles or 4?

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LIMIT**

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County
WABASH

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

MONITOR THE FISHING ACTIVITY AT THE SALAMONIE OUTLET WITH MORE FREQUENCY. SO MANY PEOPLE ARE KEEPING WALLEYE UNDER THE 14 INCH LIMIT IT'S RIDICULOUS.

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Walleye, Sauger and Saugeye

First Name
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County
Elkhart

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to see a possible reduction of the limit of walleye taken from the St. Joseph River from six to three. I would also like to see only one over 20 inches taken as part of that limit. I am curious if the one over 20 inches would not work, maybe instituting a slot limit of some sort. This would need to be researched before anything could be put in place.

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Walleye, Sauger and Saugeye

First Name
BRIAN

Last Name
INGMIRE

County
Decatur

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Reduce walleye daily bag limit to 4 fish. This fish is highly sought after on certain lakes such as Brookville and Summit. Fishing pressure has increased on the species in recent years and angler success appears to be increasing as well due to electronics and specialized tactics. Walleye fisheries in Indiana are fragile at best and given global warming trends all suggestions are that the fishery will continue to struggle. Compared to many other larger predatory fish species such as bass, musky, etc. walleye are highly sought for their table value and anglers are more inclined to keep a limit. Reducing the daily bag limit to 4 would continue the tradition of harvesting the fish for the table while reducing the overall harvest by those anglers that are consistently successful.

Thank you.

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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: WHITE BASS, HYBRID STRIPED
BASS/LIVE SHAD**

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Fishing
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County
Hendricks

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the law regarding the use of gizzard shad for livebait expanded to include all waters that have a population of StripedBass and Hybrid Striped Bass. The current law permits the use of shadon Brookville Reservoir, but no other bodies of water. I am a memberof the Indiana Striped Bass Association and currently am also astriper guide. I would also suggest that the shad only be caught inthe lake in which they will be used as bait and killed or discardedbefore the boat leaves the lake. This would prevent shad fromcontaminating other lakes that do not have a shad population.

Thank you

Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
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County
Hall

State of Residence
GA

Suggestions

I am requesting that you change Indiana fishing rules to allow the use of live shad as bait on all lakes where shad already exist. The use of live gizzard shad for striper fishing would not pose any threat to those lakes.

Also, I would like to see the cast size changed from the current 10" diameter to 20" diameter. The larger net would make bait collecting much easier and more efficient.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kane, Jennifer

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

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County
Rockdale

State of Residence
GA

Suggestions

I would like to see the rule changed to allow the use of live shad asbait on all lakes where shad are currently established. Using livegizzard shad in Indiana's striper/hybrid lakes, where shad alreadyexist, does not pose a threat to those lakes.

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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First Name
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County
Franklin

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I am requesting a change in the bait fishing regulation on IN striper & Hybrid striper lakes. I would like to see all striper & hybridstriper lakes changed so we can use live shad for bait This would be the same DNR rule now in effect for Brookville Lake, which also has stripers. The new rule could simply say: "It shall be illegal to use live shad as bait in the following reservoirs only: Monroe, Cecil Harden, Patoka, Hardy, Freeman, Shafer & Brookville. It shall be illegal to use live shad in any other body of water in the state of IN." To help with your concerns of other exotic species, you could restrict the collecting of any shad from any tailwaters, and all live shad used must be caught at one of the mentioned striper or hybrid striper lakes. I, Bill Linkel, have been an avid striper fisherman on many of the country's top striper lakes for the last 30 years. Allowing striper fishermen to use live shad would take these IN fisheries to a new level. Not allowing the use of live shad, for striper fishermen, affects the fishing results as much as, in comparison, you're saying the bass fishermen cannot legally use crank baits and plastic worms. Thank you for your consideration.

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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: WHITE BASS, HYBRID STRIPED
BASS/BAG LIMIT**

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Fishing
White Bass; Hybrid Striped Bass

First Name
Jay

Last Name
Harbison

County
Hendricks

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to make suggestion to raise the limit on White Bass(silvers) to 18. I fish the spawn run on Racoon creek and at cataracfalls.

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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: YELLOW PERCH/BAG LIMIT

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County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Please increase the limit of Lake Michigan perch. When perch are caught out of deep water, they typically die due to their air bladder issue. Culling through many fish to get 15 quality keepers kill many many more fish than anyone wants to admit. It is worse to limit the fish to 15 then it would be to catch say 30, which would easily feed a family.

Michaels, Debbie

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County
La Porte

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Increase the catch limit on yellow perch on lake michigan to at least 25 or equal to michigans limit of 35

Michaels, Debbie

From: Hartman [hart4purdue@yahoo.com]
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To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Yellow Perch

First Name
Norm

Last Name
Hartman

County
DeKalb

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I am a life long Indiana fisherman. My suggestion is that you imposedaily bag limits on yellow perch and bluegills. These two speciespresently have no bag limit. I suggest a limit of 25 for each, thatway it is easy to remember because crappies, red ears and rock bassalready have that limit.

I have fished Sylvan Lake in Noble County for about 5 years. As youknow, it is quite shallow except for a few deep holes. We are nowinto our third winter in a row where ice fishing conditions are idealand the fishing pressure has been intense. While I do not ice fish, Ihear stories of game hogs who brag about catching over 100 bluegillsand almost that many yellow perch in one day. I have driven pastSylvan on cold winter days and there were easily 50 - 75 fishermancamped out on the deep holes near Gene Stratton Porter's place. With the lake's topography concentrating all the fish and the sonarequipment the ice fisherman use, if the fish are hungry, they are sitting ducks. I don't feel like this size of catch is evenpossible in the summer time.

I would like to make three points. If a guy is coming off the lakewith 150+ fish, how many little ones will be included in thebragger's count, but never cleaned (and therefore wasted)? Nomatter how big or small, those fish will not be around to spawn in thespring. And three, it is very difficult to catch a perch bigger thanabout 7 inches anywhere in the state.

Last year I caught more crappies than bluegills on Sylvan. I caughtless than five perch and kept none because of their size. Last summerwas pretty poor for fishing compared to past years. I just thinkeither bag limits or minimum size limits would help theseunder-respected species. Thank you for the opportunity to make this suggestion.

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Michaels, Debbie

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Yellow Perch

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Bruce

Last Name
LeRoy

County
LaPorte

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Please increase yellow perch limit on Lake Michigan to 25 - 30 perlicense.

As a retired couple we like to put in our small boat and perch fish. It is becoming too expensive to continue fishing with a 15 perchlimit.

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Kane, Jennifer

From: Retzlaff [gypsyjoe30@msn.com]
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Yellow Perch

First Name
Joseph

Last Name
Retzlaff

County
Lake

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
I would like to see the catch limit raised to 25 on Lake Michigan.

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Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Yellow Perch

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Last Name
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County
jasper

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

please raise the limit on lake michigan perch in indiana,i travel 50-60 miles 1 way when i go for these about 10 times a year,15 is goodbut at least 20 would be better!!!

thanx rick sytsma
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Kane, Jennifer

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Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
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Fishing
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First Name
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County
Lake

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to suggest for discussion a review of the yellow perch regulations on the Indiana waters of Lake Michigan. Specifically - areview of the daily bag limits. Reason being, I firmly believe thatthe fishery can now support a increase in the daily bag limit from 15to possibly 20 or 25? It makes no sense to me that the IN, IL, WI andMI waters of Lake Michigan cannot be consistent across the board withtheir yellow perch regulations. From IL closing their season for a full month in the summer, to MI having a bag limit of 35, it would benice to see some consistency across state lines. If that is notattainable, I would at least like to see IN look into a bag limitincrease.

I personally have seen the fishery change over the years, as I fishLake Michigan exclusively. When I was a kid you could catch themeverywhere at just about anytime of the boating season. Granted, wedid experience a near-collapse, but now - the fishery is back andhealthy I firmly believe. Increasing the limit by 5 or 10 or even 15fish isn't going to hurt the long-term goals of the population. Takeinto consideration the amount of fish that actually get "sortedthrough" by people, trying to keep the 15 biggest perch. Many smallerfish get handled and thrown back, thereby causing stress to those fishI'm sure. With a slightly larger bag limit, I believe a lot ofsmaller fish will be kept instead because people are out therecatching them due to how tasty the fillets are anyhow!

Let me put this into perspective, and I will not lie: I fish the MIwaters

of South Haven and New Buffalo much more often than I do IN. Reason being: larger bag limit, plain and simple. In doing so, alongwith many others, we are taking our sportsman dollars out-of-state to MI because of the larger bag limit. That in turn not only eliminatestourism dollars, but tax revenue in general, and I for one don't feelgood about that. While doing this, I witness a lot of folks keepingalmost all their catch (except for the super small ones) with a limitof 35 rather than throwing back the smaller ones. What I consider tobe a small one, is in that 8-10 inch range, which really in essencemake a nice fillet as far as I'm concerned. I believe this is muchbetter for the fishery, rather than sorting through them.

I bring this to your attention because it's something to keep inmind. If our state is truly worried about our great lake in generaland not just the IN waters, it wouldn't hurt for us all to be on thesame page with our perch regulations. The perch populations that wefish and harvest from are not Indiana's alone. Realistically - thesefish roam all over the lake and more than likely, DON'T just stay inIN waters. Our bag limit of only 15 (being less than the 35 inMichigan) doesn't make the overall population any healthier in myopinion. Indiana isn't "paving the way" by any means in helping tostabilize the perch population by a smaller limit at this point intime. Ultimately, I don't know if we'll ever be able to recover fromthe damage that the commercial fishery did to Lake Michigan. However,after as many years now that the bag limit has been at 15, it'sdefinitely time to readdress this issue. Hopefully, there is enoughstatistical and biological data in place to finally be able to takeanother look at it.

Best Regards,

Matt Bochnowski

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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: MUSKELLUNGE & TIGER
MUSKELLUNGE/STOCKING (PROS & CONS)**

Michaels, Debbie

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County
Vanderburgh

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to see additional lakes stocked. preferably Patoka or alternately Monroe. I live in Evansville and travel to Illinois to fish for muskies at Lake Kinkaid and Lake Shelbyville as these are my closest options. I also travel to Kentucky and fish Green River Lake and Cave Run. I have even fished in Tennessee. Webster and the other lakes in that area are too far to travel. Brookville is also too far for me to go to on a regular basis.

Kane, Jennifer

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County
Butler

State of Residence
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Suggestions
Increase muskellunge stocking in Brookville Lake.

Kane, Jennifer

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tom

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goss

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County
cook

State of Residence
IL

Suggestions

First I'd like to commend the DNR for a fantastic job on your muskystocking program. I have been fishing for these beasts in earnest since 1976. I have yet to see a better program than yours. My suggestion is to expand the waters to alleviate some of the pressure in the Webster area. I am concentrating my vacation time in Indiana instead of the far away waters as I think a lot of Illinois fishermen are and expanding to some of the near by areas such as James lake in Steuben Co. look like a winner. The tourism I think would increase from Illinois anglers if it were a two to three hour drive from the Chicago land area with more opportunities of different lakes.

Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
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First Name
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Last Name
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County
Cook

State of Residence
IL

Suggestions

I would suggest that the DNR puts less efforts in the some of the lakes that get stocked and hardly used and move those efforts to lakes that will get more attention or put more time in research on the lakes that do get used, For Example; I don't know anyone who fishes Palestine for muskies. I know a couple of guys who have tried it and have nothing good to say about it. That's seems to be a waste of money. From the amount of money that Webster lake and the Barbee Chain bring in, it would be hard to imagine much changing there, but it would be great to see real efforts going in to a trophy fishery in Indiana. Right now Tippe is our best bet. I just don't see Webster ever being a trophy fishery. Maybe a lake like Maxinkuckee could produce some big fish. And it could also help the walleye and perch size as well.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Lewman [tclewman@netzero.net]
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Fishing
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First Name
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Last Name
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County
Allen

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
To start a stocking program at lake James in stuben county.

Michaels, Debbie

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Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
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Fishing
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First Name
Matt

Last Name
Collins

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County
Will

State of Residence
IL

Suggestions

Hello, I fish the lakes in the North Webster area all the time formusky. I have really noticed a decline in the size of the muskiescaught by me and others on Webster over the last five years. When Iused to fish that lake you wouldn't have 50 or more follows in a dayand maybe catch one. I would see maybe ten fish a day on average, butthey were much larger and healthier then, and more quality fish in theupper forty inch range were caught. I would say I've caught over adozen that were close to the thirty pound mark from that lake alone. Biggest being 50.5 inches. It would be wonderfull to see some of thepressure that Webster, Tippy and Barbee ar receiving spread out a bitwith many other potential lakes in Indiana that could be stocked withmuskies. Not to mention that one can't even find a place to parktheir rig at a launch after 4am in the spring summer and early fallmonths. It would not hurt to reduce stocking in webster and Barbee byone musky per acre and put two fish per acre in tippy. Thank you for your time!
MAtt Collins

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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County
Lake

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Please stock Wolf Lake in Hammond Indiana (Lake County) with natural musky. They do well there and there are many anglers I know who will fish for them.

Please raise the size limit across the state to 48".

Thanks,

Mike Witowski

Kane, Jennifer

From: Knoerzer [ssgtmcr@sbcglobal.net]
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
Peter

Last Name
Knoerzer

County
Lake

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Stock musky in Wolf Lake (Lake County)

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First Name

rob

Last Name

schaller

County

cook

State of Residence

IL

Suggestions

PLEASE, Put more musky's in Wolf Lake IN. The stocking of 755 fish in 99 are almost gone forever. Caught some real nice musky's in the last 4 yr's. Have records of size of them (43) total from 32'' to 47.25'' with pics. Also the size limit to 40'' for musky's in IN.

Thank You

Rob

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Kane, Jennifer

From: Seybert [mcseybert@yahoo.com]
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
Mike

Last Name
Seybert

County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
This may not be the right place for this suggestion, but here it is.

Currently we are stocking muskie at a rate of 5 per acre. Let's reduce that and expand the number of lakes we stock (with the exception of maybe our broodstock lake). The DNR has created a tremendous fishery in northeast Indiana. I would like to see the sport grow throughout the state.

The lakes we have in southern Indiana are all very small, most of them pits. In central Indiana we have Brookville which is stocked on a hit or miss schedule and Waveland, which is still in its infancy.

By reducing the number of fish per acre put into our lakes we could free up fish to put into other lakes. Brookville could receive fish every year at a decent rate. Or, new lakes could be added. There are quite a few near Indianapolis that could be considered (Eagle Creek, Summit, Westwood, etc.) These lakes would introduce more fishermen to muskie fishing, and help grow the sport.

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Fishing
Other

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Weigold

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County
noble

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I think you should fire or prosecute the person or persons that came up with the idea that putting tiger muskee in our lakes, approximatley 10-15 years ago would help fishing in our lakes. I think it is very obvious that all this done was the tiger muskee ate up all the blue gill, perch, and croppie. Now nobody fishes these lakes. A concerned taxpayer.

**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: MUSKELLUNGE & TIGER
MUSKELLUNGE/STAMP + CATCH & RELEASE**

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Slagle

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County
Tippecanoe

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
I would like to see the maximum length for Muskies change to catch and release.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Swain [gabes@localnet.com]
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Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
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Fishing
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Swain

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County
Blackford

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

How about requiring amuskie stamp to fish for muskie. This way notonly would raise funds for stocking costs but would create data as tojust how many fishermen are using the resource.

Michaels, Debbie

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
Philip

Last Name
Doolittle

County
Porter

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I am making the suggestion that the State require a \$15.00 stamp for Musky fishing as it does for other specific game fish such as trout and salmon. As a 68 year old retired individual I am not required to have a fishing license unless I target a "special" species as I mentioned. MUSKIES INC and other organizations statistics have shown me how many and at what cost it takes to get a full size fish to maturity. I feel those fishermen who target and follow 'catch and release' practices deserve and support a special stamp to further assist IND DNR in this program. I have witnessed several sizeable fish wasted by people who should have immediately released them. PLEASE put this in your plan to HELP Indiana's Muskie Program. Thank You

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Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

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Gary

Last Name
Bowers

County
Koscouskio

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Since musky do not reproduce and the season is open all year. (bringing in lots of non-residents)all musky should be catch andrelease.

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Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
David

Last Name
Cates

County
Kosciusko

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Create a "muskie stamp" required to possess a muskie, and limit possession to one (1) per year.

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**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: MUSKELLUNGE & TIGER
MUSKELLUNGE/SIZE LIMIT**

Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
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County
Hamilton

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like the minimum take size of muskie raised from 36" to 40". As an avid muskie fisherman who practices catch and release -- at any size -- I would like to see the adult population to thrive as much as possible. In this uncertain economy; fishing pressure; species bias from non-muskie anglers; environmental issues (specifically those that affect the muskie hatcheries) being unpredictable this is a sensible way to help manage the species to keep it healthy. When there are muskie to catch I want to spend my resources trying to do so. Muskie fishing isn't cheap and certainly is a boost to the economy in its own way. Please give careful and serious consideration to increasing the size limit. Thank you!

Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
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First Name
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County
Allen

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
To raise the size limit from 36 to 42 or 45 on muskie and tigermuskie.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Petree [npetree@cinci.rr.com]
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Fishing
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First Name
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Last Name
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County
Butler

State of Residence
OH

Suggestions
Raise statewide minimum length limit for possession of muskellunge to 40".

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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First Name
Tracy

Last Name
Noll

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County
Howard

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
I recommend increasing the size limit on muskellunge from 36 to 42inches, statewide.

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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First Name
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Last Name
Crook

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County
Cook

State of Residence
IL

Suggestions

I fish all over IN for muskies with great success but see many smallfish poached and killed. I would like to see a 40 inch statelimit on muskies like we have in IL and better enforcement of poaching. Select lakes like Webster, Tippy, and Barbee could benefit from a 48 or 50 inch musky size limit given the huge number of boats now fishing these lakes. I used to like it a few years ago when it was peaceful. I have a place on Webster and I am stocking director of my Chapter 39 Muskies Inc club if you would like to work with me like the Wisconsin and Illinois DNRs do.

Thank you,

Steve Crook

Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
Peter

Last Name
Knoerzer

County
Lake

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
48 inch size limit on musky

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Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
charles

Last Name
martin

County
lake

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
I would like to see the minimum length for musky be increased to 38inches.
I would also like to see more tests on water quality easilyaccessible. For
example some of the streams I fish such as thewhitewater,Iriquos and
Laughery seem to have limited info available oncurrent water quality

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Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
Seth

Last Name
Biddle

County
Delaware

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Increase the minimum size limit of Musky above 40 inches, preferred 46". OR
adopt a stamp program for Musky like the trout stamp.

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Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

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Heather

Last Name
Biddle

County
Delaware

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Increase the size limit to at least 40 inches but prefer 46 inches to help the muskie population.

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Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

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Mark

Last Name
Soleimani

County
USA

State of Residence
WI

Suggestions
I fished muskies for the first time in Indiana last April 2008. I live in Wisconsin and we have over 800 musky lakes and rivers. I have to admit that Lake Webster in Indiana is awesome!!

Whoever manages that lake for muskies deserves a raise! We caught 4 fish in 2 days and missed a couple of others.

None of the fish were very big but the action was outstanding! If I can put in my two cents I would like to see a bit bigger size limits in Indiana for muskies. If there was a 40 inch minimum and more lakes to fish I might actually come down more as I was that impressed.

I know a lot of people who would love to come down there and fish when the season is closed here in Wisconsin but only if there is a legitimate shot at a trophy.

If you could raise the size limits and stock a couple more lakes with muskies I know it will pay for itself in tourism dollars ten fold. Muskie anglers spend up to \$30 dollars per bait and add a lot of money to the economy.

Thanks for reading and great job with Lake Webster!!

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

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Bob

Last Name
Schulz

County
Fulton

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Please raise the musky size limit to 42 inches on Lake Bruce and other musky waters in Indiana

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

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Welter

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County
Dearborn

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to see a 40" minimum on muskie, people will come to fish for trophy fish. Just knowing that Webster and surrounding lakes are heavily stocked brings people to these areas. When I lived in Ohio I went to Webster because of the numbers.

Michaels, Debbie

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To: NRCFWRulesProject
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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
william

Last Name
bennett

County
kosciusko

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

the limit on musky should be raised dramaticly. i am a guide and partof the webster lake musky club and i have seen many fish been kept just at the 36 inch.limit. and that is alot of our fishery. i believeit should be raised up to 47 or so. that would detour much anglers from keeping them. we have seen this being done in other states with good things happen to their fishery for doing this same thing....bill bennett Hoosier Heartland Guide Service

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Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
Curt

Last Name
Lindsey

County
Kos

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

On musky I think we raise the size limit to 45" or even the magic #50" so our muskies size could be more efficient in size. Instead of guys wanting to take a small 38 or 40 thinking it's huge home they would be taking a true trophy home if they did catch one and didn't release it. I myself practice catch photo release. Maybe even have a fishing season on them in our lakes so guys can't take them during spawning when they are acceptable to getting caught easy. Thanks again!

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

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Lawrence

Last Name
Jurgonski

County
Hamilton

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Increase Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge size limit to 40 inches

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

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Todd

Last Name
Reis

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ratherbefishin@nventure.com

County
pierce

State of Residence
WA

Suggestions

Hi,
My name is Todd Reis. I live in Washington State. And a proud VP/membership director of Cascade Musky Association. We last year while members of Chapter 57, Muskies Inc. were very instrumental in increasing the size limits on Tiger Muskies here. We went from a 36" one fish a day to a 50" one fish limit. We only have Tigers here because of the Salmon/ Steelhead fisheries. They are sterile and do not reproduce. Lots of folks here thought that these Tigers would wipe out the salmon/steelhead fishery. It didn't happen. So maybe think about an increase maybe to 48". Those are the true trophies that the fisherpersons are looking for. And or increase the amount of fish planted each year. We here are promoting 100% catch, photo and release. Just my 2 cents worth out here in Washington State..Thanks
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Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

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Joseph

Last Name
Retzlaff

County
Lake

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
I would like to see the size limit raised to 40".

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Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
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First Name
Bryan

Last Name
Pucka

County
Porter

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
I would like to see a 40" size limit on Muskie..

I would also be in favor of a muskie stamp. Funds to supportstocking. Much
the same as a trout & salmon stamp.

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Michaels, Debbie

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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Kopp

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County
Lake

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Please raise the minimum length on Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge to 40 inches. This will help ensure Indiana maintains its population of musky for the sport fishermen.

Current:

312 IAC 9-7-4

Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge

Authority: IC 14-22-2-6

Affected:

IC 14-22

Sec. 4. (a) It is unlawful to possess a muskellunge or tiger muskellunge unless that muskellunge or tiger muskellunge is at least thirty-six (36) inches long.

(b) The daily bag limit is one (1) in total for muskellunge and tiger muskellunge.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Hulbert [muskietoe@hotmail.com]
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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

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Tom

Last Name
Hulbert

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muskietoe@hotmail.com

County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Can we please change the 36" minimum size limit to 40", 42", or 46"?
i would like to see 46".

thanks
tom

Kane, Jennifer

From: Mineart [dmineart@comcast.net]
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Fishing
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First Name
Todd

Last Name
Mineart

County
Madison

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
I would like to see the size limit of Muskellunge in the water
indianaraised from 36" to 40 or more inches in length.

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Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

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Sponseller

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County
Kane

State of Residence
IL

Suggestions

An increased size limit is needed across the state. An increase to atleast 45" would allow the Muskie/Tiger Muskie population to mature tothe point of becoming a quality fishery, that would bring fisherman, along with there money into the State of Indiana. As long as smallerfish are harvested, Indiana will never become a destination for Muskiefisherman to consider.

Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
Jeremy

Last Name
Sivis

County
Hendricks

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

My suggestion would be to increase the min size requirement on muskieto 40 inches. A 36" fish, while it may seem large to the averagefisherman, is not a fish that should be harvested. Increasing the minsize limit would help protect many young fish from being harvested.

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
Mike

Last Name
Seybert

County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Increased size limit to keep a muskie.

We have an awesome fishery. Our lakes are producing a lot of fish. Looking at the management in other states, I believe we could start producing more quality fish by raising the size limit.

I know there are a lot of diehard muskie fisherman that would like to see 45" as the minimum. That may be too much at once though. I would like to see 40" for 5-6 years then an evaluation of how the fishery responded (could be done during the trapping at Webster). If the average size increased, then go to 45", if average size stayed the same, just leave it at 40"

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Kane, Jennifer

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
James

Last Name
Schuld

County
Cook

State of Residence
IL

Suggestions
Although I am a non resident
I strongly support the minimum
length on muskie to be raised
to at least 48" to help keep
the sport prosperous and healthy

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Fishing
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First Name
Jerry

Last Name
Sondag

County
Otter Tail

State of Residence
MN

Suggestions

I occasionally fish IN, and I see a lot of uninformed musky anglerskilling small esox. I believe that the current 36" limit is toosmall. I understand Indy is always looking to better their situationwhen it comes to musky.

I think MN is setting the bar by going to a statewide 48" rule. Itallows for growth and keeps a lot of anglers in check. Not to mentionlakes like Tippy and Webster could really use the relief, and somegrowing time may just start producing a higher catch average withgreater sizes of fish, thus improving the image of the fishery andfishing in Indiana in general.

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Michaels, Debbie

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Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
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Fishing.
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
josh

Last Name
warning

County
will

City

State of Residence
IL

Suggestions
I suggest you raise size limits on Muskie state wide to a 48" legnth.

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Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
David

Last Name
Cates

County
Kosciusko

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Increase the size limit for muskies to 48" on Lake Tippecanoe and immediately attached lakes.

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**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: MUSKELLUNGE & TIGER
MUSKELLUNGE/CLOSED SEASON**

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Fishing
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First Name
Kevin

Last Name
Van Cleave

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reeyeess@sbcbglobal.net

County
Kosciusko

State of Residence
IL

Suggestions

My suggestion for the Musky stocked in Indiana is to have a CLOSED season, months I am thinking to have it closed is winter, December, January and February (or maybe just January and February).. or since many in the Musky Fishing community feel hot weather is bad for Musky July and August. I feel that since a vast majority of fishermen are able to take vacation in the summer, and that Kosciusko County is such a vacation oriented area in the summer, that Summer would be a bad time to have a closed season. I am a property owner on two lakes in Kosciusko County, Ridinger and Kuhn Lakes with my summer cottage on Kuhn.

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge

First Name
josh

Last Name
warning

County
will

City

State of Residence
IL

Suggestions

I suggest a closed season on muskies from june15th-september 1st tokeep release mortality down during peak water temps. A lot ofimeadiate and delayed mortality takes place during these periods oftime.

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**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: CRAPPIE/SIZE LIMIT

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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Last Name
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County
Brown

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Change size limits and daily bag limits for all fish to reflect the state of each body of water. They do this in Wisconsin in many bodies of water. Surely we have similar funds and resources to do more of this. Few fishermen want to clean a bunch of small fish for eating. A dozen nice sized Crappie are way better than 25 marginal fish. If no bag limits make sense, OK. But even large blue gills can be overfished on a good lake. Thanks.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Korbel [1fstroush@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 8:43 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Methods of Fishing - General

First Name
Alvin

Last Name
Korbel

County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to see a size limit placed on Crappies, and a lower daily limit for all panfish. Bluegills, pearch and crappies are being overfished due to the current limits. I would like to see a 25 limit total on panfish, not 25 per species. Also, a 12" size limit on crappies would help the crappie population in our waters.

Our grandchildren would like to be able to teach their grandkids how to fish and respect nature some day.

Thank you,
AJ

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Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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First Name
Kevin

Last Name
Andert

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County
St. Joseph

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

We need a daily bag limit on Blue Gill and Crappie. I see fisherman taking over 100 each time out on lake. These fish are small, 3 to 5 inches, and I believe this may be one reason why we don't see bigger Blue Gill, Crappie, and Bass for game fisherman on our lakes.

Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
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First Name
LeRoy

Last Name
Dierkes

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County
Hendricks

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I suggest that the state set a 10 in. minimum size limit for
"keeping"Crappie.

I have fished Carlyle Lake in Illinois for 35 years. The minimumsize for
a "keeper" crappie is 10 in.

That size will give you a good fillet for eating. Anything smalleris a
waste of a good fish. I have fished Indianalakes(Cateract,Monroe, Raccoon
etc(and have not been able to catch any10" crappie in 10 years. Now and
then you'll catch 1 or 2 in thatsize range but not enough for a good meal.

At Carlyle LAke there is also a 10 fish creel limit which helps thefish
population grow and keeps fisherman from "hogging" fish.

Even with those limits,Carlyle LAke has it's "down years" of
fishingbecause fisherman keep every legal fish they catch.

In Indiana fisherman keep anything 7 in. or longer. Therefore aCrappie
can't get to be 10 inches long because they are eaten at 7in.

We need to change our "thinking" on keeping fish that are toosmall.

I can easily accept going to a lake and catching 10 crappie that are10 in.
and having 1 good meal rather than 25 that are "not worthcleaning"(If you
can catch that many).

Michaels, Debbie

From: ritchey [jenniferritchey@comcast.net]
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Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
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Fishing
blank

First Name
anthony

Last Name
ritchey

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jenniferritchey@comcast.net

County
howard

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

i have thought for many years that there should be a size limit on crappie as well as a limit, there should be a 10 inch size limit on crappie. i have come off of lakes here in northern indiana and people say the limited out, then i see the fish

some 6-7 inches

i understand the need to take some small ones also but i think this is a little overboard lakes like salamonie and mississinewa have plenty of crappie but back in the day before the dam project most of the fish were nice 2 years ago most of the fish i have caught at salamonie were at least 10 some as big as 15 the past year never caught any with size that is on ething that should be done with the crappie thank you tony ritchey

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Crappie

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Last Name
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County
Lake

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
10 inch size limit on crappies

Kane, Jennifer

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To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Crappie

First Name
Bryan

Last Name
Bernadine

County
Hamilton

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Put a size limit on Crappies & Bluegills. Too many people are keeping the tiny fish as well as the big ones. I firmly believe there should be a size limit on the crappies & certain sunfish.

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Kane, Jennifer

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Crappie

First Name
Gerald

Last Name
Rush

County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
A 10 inch size limit on crappie

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Kane, Jennifer

From: Snodgrass [jmsnodgrass@comcast.net]
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Crappie

First Name
Jeff

Last Name
Snodgrass

County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Please place a length limit of at least 8" on Black and White Crappie in
Indiana.

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Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
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County
White

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Please put a size limit on crappies.
Bill Wade

Michaels, Debbie

From: Miller [hoover1852@yahoo.com]
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To: NRCEWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Crappie

First Name
Bryan

Last Name
Miller

County
Hamilton

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Make a 9 inch minimum length requirement on ponds and lakes. I see too many people keeping very small crappie.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: hoagland [ok_1hoagie@yahoo.com]
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
blank

First Name
ken

Last Name
hoagland

County
wabash

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
i think that a minimum size limit should be placed on crappie.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Beers [dadsab@hughes.net]
Sent: Tuesday, January 20, 2009 9:16 AM
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Fishing
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First Name
Stephen

Last Name
Beers

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dadsab@hughes.net

County
brown

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Lets set a minimum size limit on crappie at 9", on most lakes. And reduce the daily bag limit to 15 fish. thanks.

Michaels, Debbie

From: MCCREADY [ROTNEY72@AOL.COM]
Sent: Saturday, January 17, 2009 11:53 PM
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Fishing
blank

First Name
RODNEY

Last Name
MCCREADY

County
PORTER

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

PLEASE PUT A SIZE LIMIT ON CRAPPIE...ON ALL PUBLIC WATERS...STATEWIDE...I WOULD SUGGEST ,
KEEPING NOTHING SMALLER THAN 9 INCHES..

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**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: COMMERCIAL FISHING-OHIO
RIVER/ELIMINATE**

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
blank

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County
Floyd

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Get rid of commercial fishing from the Ohio River. If not more enforcement to encourage that regulations are enforced.

**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: COMMERCIAL FISHING-LAKE
MICHIGAN/PERCH BAG LIMIT**

Kane, Jennifer

From: De St Jean [afssadmin@ai.org]
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Commercial Fishing - Lake Michigan

First Name
Bob

Last Name
De St Jean

County
Lake

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Raise the limit on lake perch to 25 fish, Michigan limit is 35 Ibelive the perch population is in a healthy state. to support theadjustment.

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FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: COMMERCIAL FISHING/GENERAL

Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Commercial Fishing - General

First Name
Max

Last Name
Amstutz

County
USA

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Cut out all commercial fishing in all waters in Indiana

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**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: METHODS OF FISHING-OHIO RIVER

Michaels, Debbie

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Cc: jschroeder@www.in.gov
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
blank

First Name
benjamin

Last Name
leeper

County
marion

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

When i fish the ohio river y is it that ky can fish with unlimitedamount of poles. Im Limited to 3. So when i tourney fish i have toget a ky lic to make it fair. If not i would only get 3 rods. notonly is i not fair but all my friends stopped buying IN lic and nowall hold a ky lic. So ky is get all the ohio river fishermansmoney?

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**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: METHODS OF FISHING/RODS, LURES &
LINE FISHING**

Kane, Jennifer

From: Berkebile [theberkebiles@yahoo.com]
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Other

First Name
Bryan

Last Name
Berkebile

County
marshall

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Change the number of tip ups to 5. Also the lettering scheme for iceshanties. It should say clearly maked with name and address-not 3 inchhigh letters. I don't know where I am going to buy 3 inch high lettersthat will stick in extremem cold. If you leave it unattended now youalso have to mark it twice -once on the doot and once on an exteriorwall.

Thanks
Bryan

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Fleshood [kyron4@yahoo.com]
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Fishing
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First Name
Mike

Last Name
Fleshood

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County
Wabash

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I feel Trot Lines should be banned on all Indiana public waters. This is not sport fishing and with no limits on catfish it can impact the population in short order when bodies of water are overfished. True sport fishing involves rods and reels not ropes with 50 hooked lines.-Thank you

Michaels, Debbie

From: Burmeister [burmeistertwo@csinet.net]
Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2009 4:12 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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First Name
Bruce

Last Name
Burmeister

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County
LaPorte

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Limblines are a hazzard to recreational users of our streams anddrivers and should not be allowed.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Ames [afssadmin@ai.org]
Sent: Saturday, February 28, 2009 4:56 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

COMPREHENSIVE FISH & WILDLIFE RULES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Fishing
blank

First Name
Jim

Last Name
Ames

Email

County
LaPorte

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I suggest you put a number on hooks allowed,,, TN has 100 per man,, KYhas 50 I think,, MO has 33,,

You have too many silly laws concerning jugs/amount, limb lineamounts,, trot line number of hooks allowed..

Make it simple,,, so many hooks per man,,, and it does not make adifference whether it is jugs, trot lines, limb lines.

This is the first year I have gotten an Indiana fishing license inyears,,,, I have had non resident TN and KY licenses for the last 30years... There fishing laws make more sense.

This year I will have a non resident MO license so I can fish theMississippi.

Hey give people a break.

Also raise your non resident license fee's. 25 dollars come on,,,, KYis 50,,, TN is 42 and MO is 40/42 after June.

Thats it,, keep the three rod and reel limit.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Conrad [jconrad@indy.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:23 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
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Fishing
blank

First Name
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Last Name
Conrad

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jconrad@indy.rr.com

County
Hamilton

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I suggest that a law be invoked that states all lures must be barblessfor ease of release of fish caught.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Bischoff [timbischoff@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, January 19, 2009 4:57 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: jschroeder@www.in.gov
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
blank

First Name
Tim

Last Name
Bischoff

County
Hancock

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Raise the limit of Rods a person can use to 4 at a time on bankfishing and up to 6 rods if you are fishing from a boat.

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**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: METHODS OF FISHING/LIVE BAIT &
SHAD**

Michaels, Debbie

From: Conrad [jconrad@indy.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:21 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
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Fishing
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County
Hamilton

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I suggest that fishing using live bait or fish attractant solutions be made illegal for anyone over the age of 10.

Live bait takes the sport out of fishing as the fish's strongest sense is smell.

Also, live bait is generally swallowed deep into the fish's gullet, making catch and release impossible.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Wiseman [scooter268@gmail.com]
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To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
blank

First Name
Thomas

Last Name
Wiseman

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scooter268@gmail.com

County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I am requesting a change in the live bait fishing regulations inIndiana. More specifically, I would like to see the rule changed toallow the use of live shad as bait on all lakes and rivers where theycurrently exist. This would be the same Department of NaturalResources rule now in effect for Brookville Lake.

Using live gizzard shad in systems, where shad already exist, doesnot pose a threat to those lakes.

In addition, I would like to see the cast size changed from thecurrent 5â€² radius (10â€² diameter) to 10â€² radius (20â€² diameter).This would allow for more efficient bait gathering on the open waterof these lakes.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Morefield [Tewa69@hotmail.com]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 8:42 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
blank

First Name
Tim

Last Name
Morefield

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County
Williamson

State of Residence
TN

Suggestions

I am writing to ask that the law be changed to permit use of livegizzard shad as bait in those lakes where they already exist. I wouldalso like to see the maximum permissible cast net size increased to 10feet in diameter.

Thank you.

Tim Morefield

Kane, Jennifer

From: Williams [mohawgs@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 12:22 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Mark

Last Name
Williams

County
Hancock

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
To allow the use of live "gizzard shad" on Indiana waters.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: barker [motojo@epowerc.net]
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 11:07 PM
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Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
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Fishing
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First Name
joe

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County
harrison

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Allow the use of live shad so long as they are obtained from the bodyof water you are fishing, for example, Ohio river tributaries, PatokaLake, etc.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Nobbe [tag@tagnobbe.com]
Sent: Monday, February 16, 2009 6:16 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
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Fishing
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First Name
Tag

Last Name
Nobbe

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County
Franklin

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I am requesting a change in the live bait fishing regulations in Indiana. More specifically, I would like to see the rule changed to allow the use of live shad as bait on all lakes where they currently exist. This would be the same Department of Natural Resources rule now in effect for Brookville Lake.

In addition, I would like to see the cast size changed from the current 5' radius (10' diameter) to 10' radius (20' diameter). This would allow for more efficient bait gathering of shad on the open water of these lakes.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Parish [parishdc@prodigy.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2009 10:20 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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First Name
David

Last Name
Parish

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County
Parke

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Please allow gizzard shad as bait for striped bass. As these are natural food source, they will be advantageous as a bait. As these fish already exist in the waters in question, they will not pose a risk.
Thank you.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Williams [mohawgs@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2009 4:39 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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First Name
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Last Name
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County
Hancock

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I am requesting a change in the live bait fishing regulations in Indiana. More specifically, I would like to see the rule changed to allow the use of live shad as bait on all lakes where they currently exist. This would be the same Department of Natural Resources rule now in effect for Brookville Lake.

In addition, I would like to see the cast size changed from the current 5' radius (10' diameter) to 10' radius (20' diameter). This would allow for more efficient bait gathering of shad on the open water of these lakes.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Mark Williams

Michaels, Debbie

From: Nobbe [tag@tagnobbe.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2009 4:36 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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First Name
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County
Franklin

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I am requesting a change in the live bait fishing regulations in Indiana. More specifically, I would like to see the rule changed to allow the use of live shad as bait on all lakes where they currently exist. This would be the same Department of Natural Resources rule now in effect for Brookville Lake.

In addition, I would like to see the cast size changed from the current 5' radius (10' diameter) to 10' radius (20' diameter). This would allow for more efficient bait gathering of shad on the open water of these lakes.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter

Michaels, Debbie

From: Davis [mwd1944@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 04, 2009 4:35 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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First Name
Michael

Last Name
Davis

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County
Hendricks

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I suggest to continue the use of gizzard shad as a live bait in bodies of water that already have a population of shad as a natural food.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Scudder [ssthome@aol.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 05, 2009 2:19 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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First Name
Steve

Last Name
Scudder

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ssthome@aol.com

County
Ripley

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to see a change in the live bait fishing regulations inIndiana. I would like to see the rule changed to allow the use of liveshad as bait on all lakes where they currently exist. I see no reasonthat if they are currently there, why not be able to use them asbait.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Steve Scudder

Michaels, Debbie

From: Scifres [dascife@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2009 3:21 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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First Name
Dwight

Last Name
Scifres

Email
dascife@sbcglobal.net

County
USA

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I am requesting a change in the live bait fishing regulations in Indiana. More specifically, I would like to see the rule changed to allow the use of live shad as bait on all lakes where they currently exist. This would be the same Department of Natural Resources rule now in effect for Brookville Lake.
At the very least allow the same regs at Cecil Harden as are currently in place for Brookville.
Thank you for your consideration.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Williams [mohawgs@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2009 4:36 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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First Name
Mark

Last Name
Williams

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County
Hancock

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I am requesting a change in the live bait fishing regulations in Indiana. More specifically, I would like to see the rule changed to allow the use of live shad as bait on all lakes where they currently exist. This would be the same Department of Natural Resources rule now in effect for Brookville Lake.

In addition, I would like to see the cast size changed from the current 5' radius (10' diameter) to 10' radius (20' diameter). This would allow for more efficient bait gathering of shad on the open water of these lakes.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Mark Williams

Michaels, Debbie

From: yazel [afssadmin@ai.org]
Sent: Wednesday, February 04, 2009 8:48 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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First Name
george

Last Name
yazel

Email

County
rush

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I am requesting a change in the live bait fishing regulations inIndiana. More specifically, I would like to see the rule changed toallow the use of live shad as bait on all lakes where they currentlyexist. this would be the same Department of Natural Resources rule nowin effect for Brookville Lake.

Thank you for your time in this matter.

Michaels, Debbie

From: McCollister [todd@smacktackle.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 01, 2009 2:53 PM
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First Name
todd

Last Name
McCollister

Email
todd@smacktackle.com

County
clinton

State of Residence
OH

Suggestions

Please allow fisherman to use live bait that is native to the water they are fishing in. This is without question hard to understand why a few men have taken this liberty away from so many. I nor any of the biologist I have spoken with can come up with a plausible reason this simple liberty has been withheld from your fellow citizens. Please do the right thing for your citizens. I being from Ohio enjoy that liberty and would be extremely outraged if anybody tried to steal such a simple piece of freedom from me, and I think our founding forefathers would agree. This law needs to be abolished and no others need to be even drafted without the consideration of those it directly affects!

Kane, Jennifer

From: Plummer [plummer.jacts319@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 12:45 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Jeff

Last Name
Plummer

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County
Hamilton

State of Residence
OH

Suggestions

I am requesting a change in the live bait fishing regulations in Indiana. More specifically, I would like to see the rule changed to allow the use of live shad as bait on all lakes and rivers where they currently exist.

I fish Indiana waters sporadically, and would really appreciate the live bait law changed to include an abundant resource of shad.

Respectfully,
Jeff Plummer
4443 Plainville Rd.
Cincinnati, OH 45227

Michaels, Debbie

From: James [mjames@mjamescpa.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 4:11 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Methods of Fishing - General

First Name
Martin E.

Last Name
James

County
Hendricks

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Allow the use of live shad as bait in lakes where shad currently exist, other than just Brookville. Restrict the use of shad, to shad that are live caught in that lake only, via castnet.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Bischoff [timbischoff@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, January 19, 2009 4:59 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: jschroeder@www.in.gov
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Tim

Last Name
Bischoff

County
Hancock

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Allow the use of Live Gizzard Shad in waters other then Brookvillethat already has gizzard shad in the waters.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Schwipps [apig@earthlink.net]
Sent: Sunday, January 18, 2009 10:35 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: jschroeder@www.in.gov
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Greg

Last Name
Schwipps

County
Morgan

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
I think fishing with live shad should be legal for several reasons:

To allow it in one reservoir (Brookville) is confusing and odd and it makes it seem like the DNR is playing favorites with certain groups.

Shad are hard to keep alive. Most shad don't live long enough to be fished live anyway, and they don't travel well besides.

I know the rule is meant to discourage starting shad in virgin lakes and waterways. But, honestly, can you name one lake or waterway that currently doesn't have shad in it? I can't.

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Kane, Jennifer

From: Cox [ezellcox@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 4:42 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

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Ezell

Last Name
Cox

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County
Claiborne

State of Residence
TN

Suggestions

I would ask that the law be changed to allow the catch and use of gizzard shad as it is in my state of Tennessee. I also ask that the size of cast net be changed to the larger size of 20 feet so the gizzard shad can be caught in the open water.

Thanks
Ezell Cox

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FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: METHODS OF FISHING/JUGGING

Michaels, Debbie

From: Donovan [donovanc@rushville.k12.in.us]
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 12:45 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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First Name
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Last Name
Donovan

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County
Rush

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Jugging Rules: Use to be able to jug in lakes. Could this be changed to allow this again in areas that are restricted speed zones and/or lakes that are trolling motor only? Keeping track of jugs will still be required. This would allow for more turtle fishing on smaller bodies of water.

Michaels, Debbie

From: williams [safelawnorganics@netscape.com]
Sent: Sunday, March 08, 2009 4:18 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
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Fishing
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First Name
jeff

Last Name
williams

County
rush

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Please consider allowing jugfishing on lakes and reservoirs. It is just as safe, if not safer than trotlines. Regulation already states that a jug must stay in constant view of the fisherman. Only 5 jugs per fisherman are allowed. Please reconsider the lake and reservoir ban on jugfishing. This is a fun and safe way to introduce youngsters to the sport of fishing. It is quite a thrill to watch your jug take a bite, not knowing how big of a fish is on the other end. If it is not possible for a complete lift of the lake and reservoir ban. Why not allow it on all lakes that are designated "electric trolling only" or "no wake". Please open up this form of fishing, so people can enjoy it on waters such as; Whitewater, and Summit Lake. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Jeff Williams

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Williams [dewill4@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, March 08, 2009 4:24 PM
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Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
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Fishing
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First Name
Dan

Last Name
Williams

County
Rush

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Please allow jug fishing on lakes and reserviors instead of juststreams.

This type of fishing is excellent for kids as well as adults but iswell suited to lakes and reservoirs and not just rivers andstreams.

It actually makes much more sense to allow this type of fishing onlakes and reservoirs where constant visual contact iseasier-especially in places such as Whitewater and Summit Lake forexample.

I only one rule is changed this year I hope it is this one. Thankyou.

Sincerely,
Dan Williams

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Michaels, Debbie

From: williams [safelawnorganics@netscape.com]
Sent: Sunday, March 08, 2009 3:58 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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First Name
jeff

Last Name
williams

County
rush

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Please consider allowing jugfishing on lakes and reservoirs. It is just as safe, if not safer than trotlines. Regulation already states that a jug must stay in constant view of the fisherman. Only 10 jugs per fisherman are allowed. Please reconsider the lake and reservoir ban on jugfishing. This is a fun and safe way to introduce youngsters to the sport of fishing. It is quite a thrill to watch your jug take a bite, not knowing how big of a fish is on the other end. If it is not possible for a complete lift of the lake and reservoir ban. Why not allow it on all lakes that are designated "electric trolling only" or "no wake". Please open up this form of fishing, so people can enjoy it on waters such as: Whitewater, and Summit Lake. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Jeff Williams

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**COMPREHENSIVE
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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: METHODS OF FISHING/ICE FISHING

Michaels, Debbie

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To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
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Fishing
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First Name
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County
Rush

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to see a refinement / clarification of the rules on icefishing shelters. The size of lettering for portable shelters seems alittle large. Small, one-man shelters this may cover much of theshelter itself. Many of these shelters have a pocket to store thisinformation. Do you really need to be able to see this info from longdistances? As long as this information is attached to the shelter -permanent or portable - should be sufficient.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Jackson [jhjackson2@verizon.net]
Sent: Wednesday, January 28, 2009 8:51 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
blank

First Name
Jeff

Last Name
Jackson

County
Steuben

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the regulation that ice fishing shanties must have the owners name and address on them in 3" letters. The reason I say this is in todays society, if someone see's my name and address on my shanty on the lake, they now know that my wife and two young kids are home alone. I don't put my name and address on my shanty now and I know I will get a ticket but to keep my (PID) Personal Identification out of some criminals hands, I believe its worth it. I do put my name and address on my tip ups, but for someone to see my name and address, they have to walk up to it and bend down to see it and I would notice that. Anyone from shore can see 3" letters on a shanty with binoculars.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: christoffel [ziggyin@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 24, 2009 9:34 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Methods of Fishing - General

First Name
greg

Last Name
christoffel

County
steuben

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

when ice fishing tranducers should be at least 3 feet from hole beingfished or put a 25 limit on pan fish through the ice.

over a three day period I estimated ten thousand blue gill taken froma small bay on lakejames in steuben county mostly with with the use ofvexilins I personley know of three guys who took over one thousand twohundred and fifty so i belive my estimate to be very conservative.

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Kane, Jennifer

From: yakim [r.yakim@mchsi.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 25, 2009 6:01 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Methods of Fishing - General

First Name
robert

Last Name
yakim

County
starke

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the size limit on ice holes to 8", with may bethe exception of Lake Michigan. As it is now at 12", it is a hazzardto both children and adults. Too easy to brake a leg in the dark. Any fish can be brought up an 8" hole.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Nissley [danielnissley@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Monday, January 19, 2009 2:04 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: jschroeder@www.in.gov
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Daniel

Last Name
Nissley

County
Elkhart

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

when people go out and icefish there are alot of people that when theyharvest small fish they will simply throw the small fish on thee ice alet them die there is alot of people doing this,then we have thosesame people that go out there to fish for panfish and they wounder wedont have many big fish, we ought to have a law that makes it illegalto thow away small fish and let them to die on thee ice,if there tosmall put them back you are sitting buy your ice fishing hole is isn'tthat hard, put it simply, put a limit of 25 panfish, bluegill, redear,in this state and you will see better panfish for the future and morepeople will come to this state in knowing there is good panfish to becaught here.

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**COMPREHENSIVE
FISH & WILDLIFE RULES PROJECT**

SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: METHODS OF FISHING/CAST & NET
SIZE**

Michaels, Debbie

From: Bressler [cbressler40@msn.com]
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2009 5:41 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Methods of Fishing - General

First Name
Chris

Last Name
Bressler

County
Steuben

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Change maximum length of minnow sein to 20'. Time constraints making many passes with 12' sein. This also attracts attention to fishing as many young children vacationing at lakes are amazed what's swimming around where they swim. This would make using natural bait much affordable, and would reduce the planting of evasive species which have been sold at bait shops. Minnows can be thrown back without disrupting balance of lake.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Williams [mohawgs@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 4:35 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Mark

Last Name
Williams

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mohawgs@gmail.com

County
Hancock

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to see the cast size changed from the current 5' radius (10' diameter) to 10' radius (20' diameter).

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Plummer [plummer.jeff319@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 12:46 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Jeff

Last Name
Plummer

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County
Hamilton

State of Residence
OH

Suggestions

I would like to see the cast Net size changed from the current 5' radius (10' diameter) to 10' radius (20' diameter). This would allow for more efficient bait gathering of shad on the open water of these lakes.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Williams [mohawgs@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 12:36 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Mark

Last Name
Williams

County
Hancock

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
To increase the "cast net" size of 5' to 10'

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Bischoff [timbischoff@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, January 19, 2009 5:02 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: jschroeder@www.in.gov
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Tim

Last Name
Bischoff

County
Hancock

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Allow the use of a small gill net 25 feet or less to acquire gizzardshad with the purchase of a special yearly permit. With any otherspecies have to be released back into the water immediately.

This would also help lower the shade populations if they could beharvested for bait in this manner.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Pickard [s_pickard@msn.com]
Sent: Friday, January 16, 2009 9:16 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
blank

First Name
Gaylen

Last Name
Pickard

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County
Vigo

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

We need to find a way to stop the Asian Carp. I fish the White River in Greene county and in the Summer months I use licensed Hoop Nets. The last couple of years a Asian Carp species is mostly what is caught in my nets. I use 4 nets and all of them I catch are destroyed. However not many people use Nets anymore. If more would Net fish to catch the Asian Carp it would help, but they are probably here to stay. Just boating on the River is dangerous with them jumping. I have had several of them land in my boat and had a friend who was hit in the back very hard by one of them. Any of the Asian Carp that make it upriver from where Eel River joins White River is safe from being caught in nets, as it is a No Net fishing area. You might look to see if that could be changed. Thanks for allowing Me to submit a comment. G. Pickard 812-299-9125

Michaels, Debbie

From: Beers [dadsab@hughes.net]
Sent: Tuesday, January 20, 2009 8:53 AM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Stephen

Last Name
Beers

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dadsab@hughes.net

County
Brown

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Stop the commercial netting and commercial trot line use in the river. Sport fishing provides the best economic benefit. The commercial catfish are being dumped in pay lakes. They can buy farm raised fish. And the Spoonbills are off limits to snag fisherman, so you should extend the ban to commercial netting also. At least until they recover from the abust of recent years. Thanks for this chance to have input.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Werner [mjwerner@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 7:44 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Striped Bass

First Name
Michael

Last Name
Werner

Email
mjwerner@comcast.net

County
Rockdale

State of Residence
GA

Suggestions

"I would like to see the cast net size changed from the current 5â€² radius (10â€² diameter) to 10â€² radius (20â€² diameter) would allow for more efficient bait gathering of bait fish.

**COMPREHENSIVE
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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: METHODS OF FISHING/BOW & SPEAR

Michaels, Debbie

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Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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First Name
Thomas

Last Name
Larson

Email
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County
Lake

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

To do away with limitations to spear or gig rough fish, (carp), in a stream or ditch due to the fact that a person can shoot with a bow or a speargun of these fish state wide. It seems unfair to limit the areas a person can gig these rough fish.

Michaels, Debbie

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First Name
mack

Last Name
neal

County
johnson

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

CARP fishing is a great sport fish i fish for carp all the time i run into people that say thay BOWFISH for them and i belive this should bestoped so there will be more bigger fish i fish at turtle creek resin sullivan county some locals say they bow fish it all i have been able to catch are 3-4 pounders for the last few years but in 2000 2001i caught 12 to 15 pound carp shows me the people are killing the larger carp

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Ax [axman_78@hotmail.com]
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First Name
Matthew

Last Name
Ax

Email
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County
Steuben

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like for you to review current regulations regarding bowfishing for carp. Under current regulations, night bowfishing on creeks and small rivers isn't allowed. Upon speaking with an employee at Pigeon River FWA I was told that this was due to "fair chase." Carp are an invasive species that cause numerous problems in the bodies of water they occupy. Not only do they increase water turbidity, they harm other fish populations. Carp are proven to eat the eggs of more desirable fish and also destroy beds through foraging. There are few people other than bowfishermen that actively pursue carp in my area of the state. So, I ask you what is the harm in taking these invasive fish on creeks and rivers at night in order to prevent a single spawning female from laying anywhere from 100,000 to 500,000 eggs. Once they get a solid foothold, the only way to completely eliminate carp is to drain a lake or perform a total kill off. So, I don't see any harm in allowing a little voluntary population control. "Fair chase" for game fish makes perfect sense. "Fair chase" for an invasive species that can be so detrimental to Hoosier waterways is simply ridiculous. Thank you for considering my suggestion on a night bowfishing rule change.

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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: LICENSES/2009 LICENSES

Kane, Jennifer

From: schmidt [afssadmin@ai.org]
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Other

First Name
walt

Last Name
schmidt

Email

County
monreo

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Why not sell 2009 licences in 2009? What about renewal process likethe BMV on line? perhaps this may avoid one from purchasing lastyear's licence this year.

Michaels, Debbie

From: schmidt [afssadmin@ai.org]
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 4:21 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Other

First Name
walt

Last Name
schmidt

County
monroe

City

State of Residence
IA

Suggestions
Sell 2009 fishing licences in 2009!!!

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**COMPREHENSIVE
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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: LICENSES/NON-RESIDENT LICENSES

Michaels, Debbie

From: Meredith [pirates28@hotmail.com]
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Fishing
Other

First Name
C

Last Name
Meredith

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pirates28@hotmail.com

County
Clark

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I have not seen the pricing fee for 2009 but if it has not changed than we should raise our non resident fishing licenses. We are to low compared to most of our 4 neighbor states.

KY
1 DAY \$10.00
15 Day 40
Annual 50

OH
3 day 19
Annual 40

IL
10 Day 13
Annual 24

MI
1 Day 7
Annual 34
Annual all species 42

Michaels, Debbie

From: Stiner [sstinr@netzero.net]
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Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMSpecial Permits and Licenses

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Special Permits and Licenses
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First Name
Jerry J.

Last Name
Stiner

County
Harrison

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Our State Of Indiana, should charge an Non Resident the same fishinglicense fee as their state charges non resident.

Example: Kentucky fishing non resident is \$50.00.
Indiana non resident is \$35.00.

Where by, Indiana should charge Kentucky non resident, \$50.00.

Thank You,
Jerry J. Stiner

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Last Name
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County
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State of Residence
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Thank You,
Jerry J. Stiner

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Kane, Jennifer

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To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Gregory

Last Name
Raider

County
Rush

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Put a \$120 annual lake user fee on Indiana non residents that
useBrookville Lake for boating or fishing

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**COMPREHENSIVE
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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: LICENSES/LIFETIME-SENIOR LICENSES

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Special Permits and Licenses
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First Name
Matt

Last Name
Littell

Email
littells@sbcglobal.net

County
Morgan

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
I would like to see the lifetime hunting and fishing permit optionreturned.

Kane, Jennifer

From: NEEDHAM [NEEDHAMSRULE@SBCGLOBAL.NET]
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 11:45 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Other

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EARNEST

Last Name
NEEDHAM

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County
MARION

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

SINCE INDIANA IS CHARGING FOR SENIOR FISHING LICENSES NOW; WHY NOTSOFTEN THIS BY LOWERING THE AGE, FOR A SENIOR LIC. TO 62 ?

THIS WOULD MAKE MORE PEOPLE LESS AGAINST THE IDEA, OF CHARGING FOR SOMETHING PREVIOUSLY "FREE" .

THANK YOU.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Meredith [pirates28@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 3:05 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Other

First Name
C

Last Name
Meredith

County
Clark

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I already have a lifetime fishing licens. The states is very tight onmoney. The budget has be cut, workers are not getting raises and taxesare going up. My suggest is to bring back, temoary, the lifetimefishing licens. This will raise much needed money for the state.

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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

**SUB-TOPIC: SIZE LIMITS & BAG LIMITS
GENERALLY**

Michaels, Debbie

From: Korous [afssadmin@ai.org]
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Fishing
Other

First Name
Duke

Last Name
Korous

Email

County
Marion

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I fish as often as I can, not just in Indiana. Understanding how destination fishing states such as Minnesota go to great lengths to protect and promote their sport fishing industries with strict bag limits and size restrictions would benefit Indiana. Why does it not seem like Indiana is paying attention to successful fisheries management in other states?

My suggestion would be to protect our natural resources with lower bag limits (Crappies/Bluegill) and perhaps testing out more experimental size restrictions on particular game fish (Bass, Musky/Northern Pike, Walleye) on some of our more pressured fishing waters in the Hoosier state.

Michaels, Debbie

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To: NRCFWRulesProject
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Fishing
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First Name
James

Last Name
Basich

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County
Porter

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Please consider placing limits on our panfish. As an avid fisherman and hunter I understand and agree with limiting the fish or quarry for conservation. I'm not a biologist, but I do fish a few lakes and do ok on some and a little better on the bigger ones, but I have seen selfish people that take more than their share during the spawning period and I don't think it's right. Nor do I think any conservationist would find it acceptable. Setting limits prevent people from abusing or taking complete advantage of our Natural Resources. It also allows other fisherman and fisherwoman to have an opportunity to catch some fish. As to the question of underfishing lakes with limits, I doubt that is going to prevent people from fishing, and if the biologist's feel they are underfished raise the limits.

Kane, Jennifer

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Gregory

Last Name
Raider

County
Rush

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Put a daily 2 fish limit on smallmouth bass on Brookville Lake

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Kane, Jennifer

From: Jenkins [bucktown3@yahoo.com]
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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Methods of Fishing - General

First Name
John

Last Name
Jenkins

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bucktown3@yahoo.com

County
Sullivan

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Would like to see a slot limit imposed on the larger strip pits onstate property to increase the size of bass in these waters. The bass seem small and are all pretty much the same size.

Thanks for your time.

Michaels, Debbie

From: Stouder [theman27@myway.com]
Sent: Monday, January 19, 2009 5:36 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: jschroeder@www.in.gov
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Brian

Last Name
Stouder

County
Kosciusko

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I suggest a catch and release bass season untill the fish havespawned. This would prevent tournament fishermen from pulling thefish off there beds, and driving them around all day in thelivewell.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Conrad [jconrad@indy.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 5:16 PM
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First Name
Jeff

Last Name
Conrad

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County
Hamilton

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Due to the following conditions:

- 1) The ever-increasing pressure on our game fish, particularly riverSmallmouth;
- 2) The ever-degrading quality water in which they try to live;
- 3) The increasing toxicity of our river fish for humanconsumption;

I suggest that catch and release/no harvest rules (or at least slotlimits) be adopted for all Indiana waterways to protect thepopulations of gamefish that still exist.

Regards,

Jeff Conrad
Flyfishing Guide
West Fork White River
Sugar Creek
Tippecanoe River
Whitewater River

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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: BAG LIMITS BLUE GILL

Kane, Jennifer

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Other

First Name
David

Last Name
Hayes

County
St Joseph

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Have a 25 bag limit on bluegill on all lakes

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Nelson [chrisnelsoncaumc@yahoo.com]
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Fishing
Methods of Fishing - General

First Name
Chris

Last Name
Nelson

County
Delaware

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Many of our lakes that have excellent bluegill numbers do not have the size. From my observations, this takes place due to high numbers of larger fish being removed from the lakes or waterways. I would suggest a daily bag limit for bluegill that would include redear sunfish, and other popular sunfish. Perhaps a situation similar to that at willow slough, only excluding crappie from the aggregate count. Crappie would still have their own daily bag limit of 25. I am not sure of the science involved, however, a limit of 25 bluegills per day would be easy to remember. I fish Summit Lake State Park quite regularly and this regulation would help a great deal out there it seems. Way too many 8-9 inch gills have been harvested from the lake. They are much harder to find. I mostly search for panfish, and I would consider it a great day to bring home 25 crappie and 25 bluegill in a given day.

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Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
Other

First Name
Gregory

Last Name
Aldrich

County
St. Joseph

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Daily limit of 25 for Bluegill

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Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
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First Name
Russell

Last Name
Shankland

County
St. Joesph

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I think you should put a limit on bluegill. So we have a chance to get more big gills. Put a limit of 25 or even a 25 mixed bag like Michigan. The mixed bag would give us more quality in a lot of areas.

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Michaels, Debbie

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First Name

Jason

Last Name

McClain

County

Dekalb

City

State of Residence

IN

Suggestions

I suggest we put a 50 fish per day limit on Blue gill, people are really cleaning out our bluegill fisheryies all over north eastIndiana. Takeing hundreds a day, the quality and oppertunities aregoing way down.....

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Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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First Name
RODNEY

Last Name
MCCREADY

County
PORTER

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
PLEASE CONSIDER A STUDY ON THE EFFECTS OF A LIMIT ON BLUEGILL ...STATEWIDE... ON ALL PUBLIC
WATERS...I SUGGEST 25 A DAY...

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Michaels, Debbie

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Fishing
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First Name
greg

Last Name
christoffel

County
steuben

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

when ice fishing tranducers should be at least 3 feet from hole beingfished or put a 25 limit on pan fish through the ice.

over a three day period I estimated ten thousand blue gill taken froma small bay on lakejames in steuben county mostly with with the use ofvexilirs I personley know of three guys who took over one thousand twohundred and fifty so i belive my estimate to be very conservative.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: gaddis [gaddabout@myinfinityonline.com]
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Fishing
blank

First Name
glenn

Last Name
gaddis

County
cass

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I believe that the state needs to impose a limit on bluegills of 25. I am a ice fisherman and I see and here about too many bluegills taken during the winter. There are a lot more people ice fishing than ever has been these days.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Krol [Armyman2007@hotmail.com]
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Fishing
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First Name
Dale

Last Name
Krol

County
Lake

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to see a limit of bluegill during ice fishing season. I am an avid ice fisherman, and have seen groups of fisherman keep hundreds of bluegill (from 6"-8") once they have located a school while ice fishing. I think that this could be damaging to smaller lakes, and would like to see a limit imposed such as the one at Willow Slough. I think 25-50 bluegill is plenty for a fisherman to make a few meals out of for his family. Keeping hundreds of bluegill from one day fishing, doesn't seem ethical or conservation minded to me.

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Michaels, Debbie

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First Name
Jeff

Last Name
Armstrong

County
Jasper

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Do not put a catch limit on bluegills.

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Kane, Jennifer

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Fishing
Other

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paul

Last Name
wallace

Email
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County
wayne

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Bluegill harvest limits [25] epcially on smaller waters {summitlake} Limits on crappie and redear make since. Why not gills?
Paul

Michaels, Debbie

From: Blackburn [tat2dfreeky1@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 22, 2009 5:16 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Crappie

First Name
Doug

Last Name
Blackburn

County
grant

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

There should be no limit on the number of crappie, bluegill, redearand white bass. It seems there is an abundance of these fish andhaving no limit on the numbers you catch would only improve the sizeof your catch over time.

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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: BOATING REGULATIONS

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First Name
Paul

Last Name
Pierce

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County
Randolph

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Clarify and increase enforcement of existing rules for use of jet skis and outboards on small rivers, especially when approaching those anchored while fishing or canoeing.

Michaels, Debbie

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Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 7:02 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Methods of Fishing - General

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roger

Last Name
buikema

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County
lake

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

on cedar lake and all lakes that fisherman have free boat unloading and loading and parking on cedar lake they are charging to park on the north ramp that i believe the dnr help build i don't think this is right i think more guys would fish there if it was free thanks roger buikema

Michaels, Debbie

From: Pierce [pierce6725@aol.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2009 6:00 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Cc: Guinnup, Jacob
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

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Fishing
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First Name
Paul

Last Name
Pierce

Email
pierce6725@aol.com

County
Randolph

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions
Expand idle zone at Brookville Reservoir at the Fairfield Causeway to make the area more fishing friendly.

Kane, Jennifer

From: Hiatt [jhiatt@northcc.net]
Sent: Saturday, January 24, 2009 8:53 PM
To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
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First Name
Jim

Last Name
Hiatt

County
cass

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Lakes which have a 10 mph speed limit, should also have the same speedlimit when iced over. Snowmobiles on small lakes with lots of icefisherman is a recipe for disaster.

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Michaels, Debbie

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To: NRCFWRulesProject
Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Other

First Name
Chris

Last Name
Bressler

County
Steuben

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

High speed boating only should be permitted from 9:00 - 5:00PM givesfisherman time in morning/evening without being harassed.

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Michaels, Debbie

From: Chalmers [Kickinbass121257@aol.com]
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First Name
Donald

Last Name
Chalmers

County
Lake

City

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

I would like to see lakes that have a horse power limit changed to idle speed only lakes. The current laws on some lakes limits the boats with big motors from fishing them because the horse power. I don't think this is fair to us that have bigger motors. We should be able to idle in these lakes using our bigger motors.

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Subject: SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENT SUGGESTION FORMFishing

Fishing
Methods of Fishing - General

First Name
Dave

Last Name
Rector

County
clay

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

Could you please consider revising the rule of electric motors only on the Green Sullivan state forest? I fish Bass Lake frequently and it can get very dangerous out there in a big wind. I do not want it opened to speed across the lake but an idle only option would be a great help to many. Please don't put a horse limit just idle only. Thank you for considering this option.

FIELDS NOT DEFINED IN THE TEMPLATE FOLLOW

Michaels, Debbie

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First Name
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Last Name
MCCREADY

County
PORTER

City

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Suggestions

IT WOULD BE NICE TO SEE PUBLIC ACCESS ON THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THEVALPARAISO CHAIN OF LAKES. THERE IS PARKING AT LONG LAKE AND ROGERSLAKEWOOD PARK..NO PARKING AT WAHAUB, FLINT, MINK...PLEASE TAKE THETIME TO CONSIDER THIS MATTER...

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SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS

TOPIC: FISHING

SUB-TOPIC: WATERWAYS AND TRESPASSING

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Suggestions

Indiana needs to adopt stream access rules like those of Montana wherewade fishing in navigable waters, below the normal high water line, isNOT considered trespassing.

Our Brookville tailwaters already has this rule. It needs to beextended state wide.

Michaels, Debbie

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First Name
John

Last Name
Bunner

County
Marion

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Suggestions

The interpretation of the Navigable waterways should be refined and clarified. It is very difficult for anglers as well as land owners to determine what sporting activities can legally take place on nonnavigable waters. I have done a lot of research on this topic as well as discussing it with several CO's and I always get a different answer.

I propose that all waterways in Indiana should be available to anglers for recreational fishing and boating (non motorized). The waters of the State are held in trust for the citizens of Indiana and limiting anglers ability to fish on only State deemed navigable waterways severely limits angling opportunities as well as possible license sales.

I do not propose to take away riparian land owners rights to their land but there has to be a middle road for landowners as well as Hoosiers wishing to pursue their quarry on non navigable waters (rivers, streams and creeks).

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SUB-TOPIC: MISC. SUGGESTIONS

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Suggestions

Until such time as the state of Indiana opens a public access fishingspot on Lake Michigan in the city of Gary all residents of the city of Gary shall not be required to have a fishing licenses while fishing within it's boundaries.

Furthermore the state of Indiana should takeover from the cashstrapped city of Gary Miller Beach and Marquette park and operate it.

The city of Gary can not operate it and imminent domain should be used to strip it from the city so it can be developed for the region and the state.

There can be a pier and a public access fishing spot with boat launch on Lake street in Gary which is part of Miller beach.

<http://www.northwestindiana.com/discussionforum/viewtopic.php?f=6&t=5657&sid=0ca2dc112a22e962fa7d17d31a832665>

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Fishing
Other

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Last Name
Earl

County
Lawrence

State of Residence
IN

Suggestions

In the theme of generating more revenue for our state, I have this suggestion.

Our state presently only allows 178 boats in bass tournaments on the larger lakes such as Monroe, Brookville and Patoka for the fall fishing season, I understand the reasoning for these lower numbers in the height of the boating season but we are limited in the fall.

During the non-boating season or when it's too cold to water ski or swim I feel that the state should allow at least 250 to 300 boats on the larger bodies of water.

USA BASSIN is presently taking our larger tournaments to the state of Kentucky where the number allowed is unlimited, the money the state of Indiana is losing every year from USA Bassin alone is around a half million dollars, not counting the other tournament trails that would take advantage of this as well, We have pleaded our case within DNR and as always we get little to no response on even considering this change.

Thank you for your time
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Tony

Last Name
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County
Elkhart

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Suggestions

My suggestion would be designed to inject some new enthusiasm into anglers. Establishing some new state records for fish that are common and readily identifiable.

1. Pumpkinseed Sunfish
2. Carpsucker Group - one record that encompasses (Quillback, Highfin, River)
3. Split current "Sucker" Record into (Redhorse, White, Hog) Clearly the white and Hog suckers will never be as large as the Redhorse species, and are relatively easy to distinguish from each other. Reference Michigan Record fish.

There may be other fish, but these categories have records in our neighboring states. Why not generate some enthusiasm and awareness among the public?

Appreciate your consideration,

Tony Forte

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Fishing
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Last Name
Garbers

County
Morgan

City

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Suggestions

I see many private retention ponds have no fishing signs around them due to liability issues. Many of these are in areas where youth could have easy access to fish but doing so would be breaking the law.

I recommend starting a program to certify qualified retention ponds "safe", meaning they pose no more risk than a natural lake or pond. Once they have passed the "safe" inspection by a state expert, they are stocked by state fisheries and have public access allowed. For this, the owners would be held free of any liability lawsuits resulting from the pond.

This would help get kids and adults off the couch and back outdoors.

Thanks,
Alan

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Last Name
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Suggestions

PLEASE CONSIDER A STUDY OF ALL THE VALPARAISO CHAIN OF LAKES PANFISH POPULATIONS...AND STOCK THEM ACCORDINGLY....LONG AND LOOMIS GET A LOT OF FISHING PRESSURE ALL THROUGH THE YEAR..

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County
vigo

State of Residence
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Suggestions

Since I have paid the lake enhancement fees started in the 80's I haven't seen much change in the bass fishing in Ind. I'm not sure if the fee needs to be higher or funds redirected to stocking largemouth bass, or if the limits need to be changed. Something has to be done to change this. I will say the stocking program at Green Valley in West Terre Haute was awesome, then someone took a large number of those fish out of that lake. Was it angler's or the state? If you could dam the Wabash River, that would be awesome! That's my take!

Michaela, Debbie

ADD TO: Fishing. Yellow Perch

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County
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Suggestions

I am a life long Indiana fisherman. My suggestion is that you imposedaily bag limits on yellow perch and bluegills. These two speciespresently have no bag limit. I suggest a limit of 25 for each, thatway it is easy to remember because crappies, red ears and rock bassalready have that limit.

I have fished Sylvan Lake in Noble County for about 5 years. As youknow, it is quite shallow except for a few deep holes. We are nowinto our third winter in a row where ice fishing conditions are idealand the fishing pressure has been intense. While I do not ice fish, Ihear stories of game hogs who brag about catching over 100 bluegillsand almost that many yellow perch in one day. I have driven pastSylvan on cold winter days and there were easily 50 and 75 fishermancamped out on the deep holes near Gene Stratton Porter's place. With the lake's topography concentrating all the fish and the sonarequipment the ice fisherman use, if the fish are hungry, they are sitting ducks. I don't feel like this size of catch is evenpossible in the summer time.

I would like to make three points. If a guy is coming off the lakewith 150+ fish, how many little ones will be included in thebragger's count, but never cleaned (and therefore wasted)? Nomatter how big or small, those fish will not be around to spawn in thespring. And three, it is very difficult to catch a perch bigger thanabout 7 inches anywhere in the state.

Last year I caught more crappies than bluegills on Sylvan. I caughtless than five perch and kept none because of their size. Last summerwas pretty poor for fishing compared to past years. I just thinkeither bag limits or minimum size limits would help theseunder-respected species. Thank you for the opportunity to make this suggestion.

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ADD TO: Fishing Licenses

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Suggestions

A one day fishing license expires at midnight on the day of issue, although this is not stated on the license. If a guy comes into town to visit a friend and wants to fish one evening and the next morning before leaving, he has to buy two licenses, or an annual license. While I understand the need for revenue, the needs of the community should also be considered. A one day license should be good for 24 hours from the time of purchase. It would not be difficult to change the license web site to reflect the time of issue.

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SUB-TOPIC: SIZE LIMIT OF ????

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Suggestions
Increase the size limit to 40 or more inches.

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First Name
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Suggestions
let us keep a couple of bass under 14 inch best eating

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Fishing
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Michael

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Castor

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Suggestions
raise the min from 36" to 46" or even 50" to keep one.

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Last Name
Donald

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Suggestions
raise the size limit to 40 inches or more.

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Suggestions
raise size limit to at least 40"

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Suggestions
48" minimum please

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